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Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-)

DATE: January 19, 1962

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
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On January 12, 1962 [REDACTED] who advised he resides at [REDACTED] Oxnard, California, and is employed in transportation by the United States Navy, Construction Battalion Center, Port Hueneme, California, telephonically contacted the Ventura Resident Agency advising that he has been receiving mail from the John Birch Society which is incorrectly delivered to his address when it is in fact addressed to [REDACTED]. He stated he does not know the name of the individual to whom this mail is addressed. He stated he wanted to be on record that he did not desire to receive mail from the John Birch Society and that he has told the Post Office about this.

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Los Angeles, California
January 10, 1962

GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
INFORMATION CONCERNING

A source which has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that all tickets have been sold out for the speech by General Walker January 11, 1962, at Los Angeles Sports Arena, capacity approximately 14,000, under sponsorship of Freedom Forum of First Congregational Church, Los Angeles. The topic of Walker's address is "Make Mine Freedom." Source advised that about 50 persons greeted Walker at Los Angeles Airport morning of January 10, 1962, and Walker appeared later in taped interview on George Putnam TV news review January 10, 1962, stating, among other things, that he joined John Birch Society while commanding U. S. troops at Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1959.

Source advised that it is expected many chartered buses will be run from outlying Los Angeles communities to attend Walker's address, these parties including many John Birch Society members.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-5164)(P)
RE: [REDACTED]

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Re: airtel 11/23/61.

Enclosed herewith are original and five copies
of letterhead memorandum re captioned matter.

Source therein is [REDACTED] who furnished
information to SA [REDACTED]

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Los Angeles, California
January 12, 1962

EDWIN A. WALKER
Former Major General,
U. S. Army
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Edwin A. Walker, resigned Army Major General, addressed a crowd of over 14,000, Los Angeles Sports Arena, January 11, 1962, was interrupted by five long ovations, one coming after he charged the administration with permitting U. S. soldiers to become "an agency of the United Nations." "These sons of ours have been taught to forget their allegiance to our country and become a tool of a world agency that is nothing more than an instrument of Soviet Russia - the United Nations."

Walker also condemned the U. S. remaining in the U. N., for which Walker had roars of approval in a standing ovation. Walker also stated: "That the efforts and sacrifices of these military forces have been so badly undermined by the State Department and their leadership, that this great Nation is in dire peril."

Walker charged collaboration by American forces with the communists under the U. N. in Korea and in the recent action in the U. N. operation in Katanga Province, stating "The only difference is that in Korea, we fought communists and in Katanga we are fighting anti-communists. In Korea we secretly collaborated with the communists. In Katanga, we openly collaborate."

Walker also condemned President Eisenhower for his celebrated "co-existence" with the Russians. Benediction was said by Rabbi Max E. Merritt. It was announced that the ticket receipts at \$1.00 each would go to educational program of First Congregational Church of Los Angeles' Freedom Club, sponsors of event.

Above summarizes coverage of meeting by Herald-Examiner, January 12, 1962; similar detailed news reports appear in Los Angeles Times and Hollywood Citizen-News.

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EDWIN A. WALKER

A source which has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Walker was paid only a reasonable fee (amount not specified) and his expenses, and source discounted a rumor that [] was afforded \$7500 from evening's receipts.

[] was given private dinner party January 11, 1962, home of [] of Freedom Club. He breakfasted at Jonathon Club, Los Angeles, January 12, 1962, and spent three hours thereafter with, among others, Paul H. Talbert, Beverly Hills, California, insurance man and John Birch Society National Council member.

Above source continued that a friend of [] unnamed, wants him to run for Governor of Texas; but source discounted likelihood, stating [] background and experience ill-fitted him for such a role. Source said [] was expected to depart Los Angeles January 12, 1962, destination not known to source.

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-5164)(C)
RE: [REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING
INTERNAL SECURITY

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Enclosed herewith are original and five copies
of letterhead memo re captioned matter.

The source named herein is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Insurance
broker and member of the John Birch Society, National
Council, who furnished oral information to SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] on 1/12/62 and who was in the company of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] socially during portions of his visit in the Los
Angeles area.

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Birch Chief Due at Pasadena Meet

A two-day seminar of the John Birch Society with founder Robert Welch in attendance will be held tomorrow and Sunday at the home of Mrs. Phillip Chandler, 1200 S. Arroyo Blvd., Pasadena, the Independent and Star-News learned yesterday. The all-day private sessions will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m. both days with breaks for lunch and refreshments.

Avowed purpose of the seminar is to present the background, methods and purpose of the John Birch Society to a "selected small group of people, carefully chosen as to quality and limited as to number."

The Birch Society has been the center of a storm of controversy since the disclosure of its existence and the ultra-conservative philosophy of its founder as expressed in the "Blue Book" and "The Politician." (See General Walker story on page 15.)

Condemnation of leading Americans such as President Eisenhower and John Foster Dulles as Communist tools and other statements in the books led to widespread condemnation of both the society and Welch.

Two Congressmen, John H. Rousselot of San Gabriel and Edgar Hiestand of Altadena, disclosed membership in the society. Rousselot aggressively defending it.

Recently it was charged that the Birch Society helped elect the new president of the Los Angeles County Young Republicans and will be actively trying to elect a sympathizer to head the state YR organization.



... ROBERT WELCH
... to attend seminar

RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
LA file 100-59001
"Star-News"
Pasadena, Calif.
January 12, 1962

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100 Attending Opening Birch Society Session

Approximately 100 persons, including founder Robert Welch, showed up for a two-day John Birch Society seminar this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Chandler, 1200 Arroyo Blvd., Pasadena.

Chandler is vice president of the Times-Mirror Co. of Los Angeles.

Those attending, who came by invitation only, began arriving at about 8:30 a.m. Welch pulled up in a taxi shortly before 9 a.m.

The seminarists are both Birch Society members and persons interested in learning

more about the society, according to Lewis K. Uhler, field representative for Congressman John H. Rousselot, R-25th District. Rousselot, a Birch member, was not at today's meeting, having returned to Washington for the second session of the 87th Congress.

On Friday, after the Independent and Star-News excitedly broke the story of the Birch seminar, Uhler extended an invitation to Leonard Kreidt, political editor of the newspapers, to attend the 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. sessions on a "no-publicity" basis. Later the invitation was rescinded.

Uhler explained that on "checking with someone higher up," he was informed that there would not be sufficient space to include Kreidt.

Welch came to Pasadena from San Francisco where, yesterday, he said the FBI is being "hamstrung" in its efforts to combat subversion by several decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court and by what he called former President Eisenhower's "gag order."

He also said there is a "worldwide drive" to discredit patriotic military forces of many Western countries.

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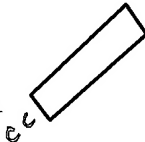
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A group of guests turn into the Grand Avenue entrance to the Phillip Chandler estate in Pasadena where a two-day seminar with Bircher Robert Welch Jr. is held.

Welch Explains Birch 'Blue Book'

Founder at Pasadena Seminar

An in-person exposition of the John Birch Society's "Blue Book" by its author and founder of the society, Robert Welch Jr., was the content of the first day of a two-day JBS seminar in Pasadena yesterday, according to one guest.

The session was held at the home of Times-Mirror Co. vice president Philip Chandler, 1200 Arroyo Blvd., Pasadena.

The day passed without incident for the seminarists, the session opening at 9 a.m. and closing promptly at 5:30 p.m.

George H. Coffin III, a former member of the Pasadena Community Redevelopment Agency, commented when he emerged from the session.

"Have you read the Blue Book? Well, the content of the meeting was much the same."

Another guest added, "Only it was better coming in person from the man who wrote the book."

Judging by the number of cars parked near the Chandler residence, attendance, which was by invitation only, numbered around 100.

Among them was Walter Scott, owner and founder of Scott's Berry Farm in Baldwin Park, who is prominent

in several patriotic and anti-Communist movements.

Welch was seen by non-participants only once during the day. That was shortly before 9 a.m. when he arrived at the Chandler's by taxi. The Independent Star-News tried repeatedly and unsuccessfully to obtain an interview with him through Mrs. Chandler and Lewis K. Uhler, field representative for Congressman John H. Rousselot, R-25th District. Uhler also attended the meeting. Rousselot, a Birch member, who had returned to Washington, was not present.

Welch's relations with the press have not been cordial, the JBS founder having complained on several occasions of being misquoted in the newspapers.

Political Editor Leonard Kreidt of The Independent Star-News was invited by Uhler to attend shortly after his newspaper exclusively broke the story of the seminar Friday, but the invitation was rescinded later.

Uhler explained that the guest list was up to capacity at the time Kreidt was invited, but that he had been unaware of it.

The invited guests, according to Uhler, are both society members and persons interested in learning more about it.

The second session of the seminar begins at 9 a.m. today and is scheduled to run through to 5:30 p.m.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)
RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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(INTERNAL SECURITY)

Attached herewith are three articles from the Pasadena, California, "Star-News," issues of 1/12, 1/13, and 1/14/62, relating to the two-day seminar of the John Birch Society with founder ROBERT WELCH in attendance, held 1/13-14/62 at the home of Mrs. PHILLIP CHANDLER, [REDACTED] Pasadena, California.

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Birch Society Growing Rapidly, Says Founder

Robert Welch Hits Back at Critics, Gives 10-Point 'Americanist' Action Program

The John Birch Society is growing rapidly in all parts of the United States, Robert Welch, its founder, said in an address here Monday.

He outlined the 10-point "Americanist" action program for the organization and hit back at its critics as he spoke to about 400 members and guests of the Electric Club of Los Angeles at the Biltmore.

There are more than 200 Birch chapters in California, each with 10 to 20 members, he said.

As of last December, the third anniversary of the organization, he said, there were chapters in most states and members in every state. He said he has a staff of 105 co-ordinators, 35 of them paid, plus 41 workers in the home office in Belmont, Mass., and a few clerical workers in field offices, including Los Angeles.

Goals Summarized

The goals of the society were summarized by Welch as less government, more individual responsibility and a better world, with the focus on fighting the Communists. The organization is built on attracting outstanding citizens of unquestioned morality, good will and religious ideals, he said.

He devoted almost half the 39-minute talk to a defense of the society, particularly hitting back at charges that it is a secret society. It operates more in the public eye, making public its materials and newsletters, than

any comparable organization, he said. The policy of the society not to make public its membership list is no different than many other civic organizations, he added.

Gives One Long Answer

He was asked only two questions in the question period after the talk, but the answer to one of them took 11 minutes. The long reply came when he was asked about his oft-quoted statement that former President Eisenhower was a "dedicated, conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy."

Once again, Welch did not deny writing the statement, but he said it was in a confidential letter written without the care that he applies to matters for publication.

The address was to be filmed for use on television, but after seven minutes Welch showed some distress, mopped his face, covered his eyes, and asked that the television lights be turned off. He said he had suffered from "serious eye trouble."

Action Programs

Among the present action programs of the Birch Society, according to Welch, are programs:

To disseminate Americanist books and pamphlets, to increase the circulation of "the best American periodicals," to increase the audience of Americanist commentators on radio and television, to make more effective use of letter writing campaigns, to operate Americanist "fronts" for particular purposes such as opposing summit conferences,

to awaken America to the seriousness "of our danger," to make it more difficult for pro-Communists to speak in public at least without being properly identified, to make available Americanist speakers to public groups, to encourage anti-Communist refugee groups, and to conduct



Robert Welch
Times photo

an education program on issues and candidates in politics.

He mentioned only one candidate by name — Loyd Wright, Los Angeles attorney who is opposing Thomas H. Kuchel, incumbent U.S. Senator, for the Republican nomination next June in California. He made no endorsement of Wright but referred to him as "your distinguished candidate."

Welch declined to comment to a reporter on a two-day seminar last weekend in Pasadena at which he reportedly spoke.

Los Angeles Times

Date 1-16-62

Los Angeles Division

Editor: NICK B. WILLIAMS

RE: *John Birch Society*

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Welch Emphatic in Denial Birch Society Is 'Secret'

Robert Welch has vigorously denied his John Birch Society is a secret organization — even though its membership list is not made public.

Welch, who founded the militant anti-Communist group, said his organization operates more in the public spotlight than any comparable

movement because of the amount of its materials and newsletters it makes public.

He claimed more than 200 chapters of the society have been formed in California.

Welch said the society is no different from many other civic organizations by refusing to make its membership list public.

During his talk before some 400 members and guests of the Electric Club of Los Angeles at the Biltmore Hotel, Welch summarized the goals of the society as less government, increased individual responsibility and a better world, with the focus on the fight against communism.

Asked about his frequently quoted statement that former President Eisenhower was a "dedicated, conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy," Welch did not deny writing the charge, but said it was in a confidential letter written without the care he gives matters for publication.

VALLEY NEWS AND GREEN SHEET

Date Friday, 1/19/62

Section 1, Pg. 9, Cols. 1-2
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Editor Ferdinand Mendenhall

LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE 12-28-61
FROM : SA [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)
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[REDACTED]	Literature	12-12-61	Writer	As noted below

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Informant furnished the following literature:

CC: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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100-53971 [REDACTED]
100-55490 [REDACTED]
100-60681 [REDACTED]
100-57872 [REDACTED]
100-3267 (ACLU)
100-59007 (COMINTL CDC)
100-57100 [REDACTED]
100-54823 [REDACTED]
100-55929 [REDACTED]
100-57128 [REDACTED]
100-61745 (WOMENS STRIKE FOR PEACE)
62-4550 [REDACTED]
100-34470 [REDACTED]
100-46782 [REDACTED]
100-27874 [REDACTED]
100-59908 [REDACTED]
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-5504 (NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD)
100-31908 [REDACTED]
100-47307 (FRONTIER MAGAZINE)

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1. Volume VII No. 3 issue of the Bulletin of the Valley Chapter of the WLA, for the month of November 1961. This issue contains the following information:

Page 1, indicates that the regular monthly meeting for November, 1961 would feature in the morning session the International Affairs Panel with a panel discussion in the "German-Berlin Question." Those indicated as participating in that panel discussion were listed as: Moderator - ILSE WOLFSON; Panelists - MARY KATZ, SUE PRELL, SUSAN SHEPARD.

Page 1, also notes that the guest speaker for the afternoon session would be Mr. NATHAN SCHOICHET, who is described as follows:

"Beverly Hills, Attorney
Member of Board of Directors, American Civil
Liberties Union
Leader in Valley Democratic Party."

His scheduled lecture topic is listed as,
"Behind the Legal Curtain: Some Light on Unpopular
Court Cases."

Page 2 is a recap of the two views on Fall-out shelters, made by DR. ALBERT BELLAMY and Mr. DAN WEILER at the October, 1961 meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA. This is reported by SYLVIA ROSENBERG.

Page 3 contains a copy of a night letter signed by BLANCHE MILLER, President of the Valley Chapter of WLA to Ambassador MIKHAIL MENSHIKOV, at the Russian Embassy, Washington, D.C. appealing for a stop in nuclear testing.

Page 3 also contains a legislative report with recommended action by GUSSIE SITKIN; which is continued onto page 4.

Page 4 also announces a meeting of the San Fernando Valley Consumer Information Conference, which had been called for November 10, 1961 by Mrs. HELEN EWING NELSON, Consumer Counsel for California.

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The calendar of WLA events on page 5, notes that an Interim Panel Meeting was scheduled for 11-20-61 at the home of ANNABELLE MARSHALL, 4344 Stern Avenue, Sherman Oaks, California; and a meeting of the Executive Board was to be held at the home of SYLVIA ROSENBERG, 5863 Alcove, North Hollywood on 11-21-61. ANNETTE SELIG, 5626 C Kester, Van Nuys, California, was asking for those who had not yet paid up their membership dues to mail them direct to her at the above address.

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Page 5 also contains a recap of the "Women's Strike for Peace," held November 1, 1961. It reports that Mrs. JOAN LASCO, housewife, addressed the gathering.

Page 6 recommends for future reading an article by FRED J. COOK, in the October 28, 1961 issue of "The Nation."

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2. The October, 1961, issue of "Frontier" magazine (Volume 12 No. 12). Informant received this issue late, as the magazine did not correct her address after she moved, even though she sent them a change of address. It was not until a telephonic notice was given the magazine that they corrected her address.

The feature article in this issue is by Dr. LINUS PAULING and it starts on the cover page.

Page 2 contains a derogatory article attacking the Southern California School of Anti-Communism and Dr. FRED SCHWARZ. This article which is continued on page 27, bears the initial signature, "K," which undoubtedly refers to "Frontier" editor PHIL KERBY.

Page 26 contains a sketch of LINUS PAULING bearing the signature of "MESCHES." It is to be noted that ARNOLD DAVID MESCHES formerly was regularly an artist for this periodical.

Page 27, the "Letter" to the editor section, prints a letter from IRVING HALL, Berkeley, California, critical of the John Birch Society, titled, "The Birchnuts."

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3. The December, 1961 issue of "Frontier" magazine (Volume 13, No. 2).

Page 2, of this issue, contains an article by GENE MARINE, who is described as news editor of radio station KPFA-FM, Berkeley, California. The article notes that it is a condensation from an address given by MARINE on November 11 in Los Angeles, before the Los Angeles, Hollywood and Beverly Hills chapters of the National Lawyers Guild.

The "Letters" to the editor section on page 26 contains a letter from RICHARD POWELL, Malibu, California. It is not known if this individual is identical with the individual of the same name maintained in the A section of the Reserve Index of the Los Angeles Office, as the latter's residence address is shown to be Van Nuys, California.

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ACTION

Two copies of this memorandum are being forwarded to the San Francisco Office for its information as it contains information relating to IRVING HALL and GENE MARINE, residents of that division's territory.

It is suggested that consideration be given to determining if RICHARD POWELL, Reserve Index-A (Los Angeles file 100-31908) continues to reside in Van Nuys, or if he is indeed identical to the individual who wrote a letter to the editor of "Frontier" magazine's December, 1961 issue, with Malibu, California as an address.

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HELEN EWING NELSON
SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CONSUMER INFORMATION CONFERENCE
MRS. JOAN LASCO
FRED J. COOK

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Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 1/3/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES LOCAL -
SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (LAL-SWP)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	12/6/61 LAL-SWP membership meeting.	12/21/61	Writer	[REDACTED]

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On 12/21/61 [REDACTED] furnished the writer with a handwritten report which pertained to a LAL-SWP membership meeting held 12/6/61 at 1702 East 4th Street, Los Angeles. This report read as follows:

CC: 5 - New York (REGISTERED)
(FARRELL DOBBS)
(NEGRO LABOR PARTY)
(COMMITTEE TO AID MONROE
DEFENDENTS)
(MONROE DEFENSE COMMITTEE)

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100-60839
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"12/6/61 attended a membership meeting of the SWP LA local at 1702 E. 4th St. Los Angeles, Calif.

[redacted] reported on the following:

"1. Letter from FARRELL DOBBS stating that the newly formed Negro Labor Party will act as arbitrator in bringing about the merger of CAMD & MDC. That [redacted] is agreeable to sitting down & talking about merger. The SWP prefers a white minority on the Ex. But will [redacted] if the formation is all Negro Ex. That the Militant on the 4th of Dec. will carry a story on the Conference of the Negro Labor Party when FARRELL spoke, also where support was given to the Monroe Defense work.

"2. The next issue of the Militant will contain a great deal of information on the 22nd Congress. The editorial will carry a statement by FARRELL to the CP which will come to the defense of the CP fight against the McCarran Act & raise the political question inherent in Mr. K admission.

"3. Proposed the formation of a defense committee b6
body for [redacted] b7C
[redacted] approved. [redacted] reported
that he was fired from his job at Fullerton Jr. College where he was an instructor in welding. That his firing was due to changes made by the John Birch Society in that area. He has talked to the ACLU. Feels that this is a good opportunity for the Party to wage a national fight. Will give additional information at the Saturday night meeting.

"About 25 people attended of whom I recognized the following.



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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 1/3/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	12/6/61 LAL-SWP membership meeting.	12/21/61	Writer	[REDACTED]

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On 12/21/61 [REDACTED] furnished the writer with a handwritten report which pertained to a LAL-SWP membership meeting held 12/6/61 at 1702 East 4th Street, Los Angeles. This report read as follows:

CC: 4 - New York (REGISTERED)
(MONROE DEFENDENTS COMMITTEE)
(FARRELL DOBBS)
[REDACTED]
(COMMITTEE TO AID MONROE DEFENDENTS)

[REDACTED]

100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
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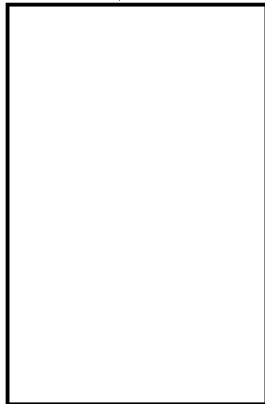
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"Report for 12/6/61

"Attended a membership meeting of the SWP at 1702 E
4th St. Los Angeles.

"Chairman: [REDACTED]

Minutes taken by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] read communication from FARREL DOBBS,
giving the latest on the M.D.C. There has been informal
meeting with [REDACTED]. He also talked about a new organi-
zation formed by Negroes & Potorekians. The two groups of the

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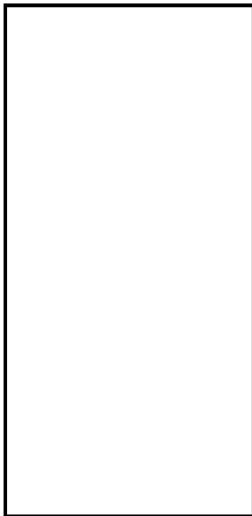
"M.D.C. & CAMD should merge. Also all necessary effort should be made to keep this work active.

"Finances of the Branch is at an all time low. [redacted]
[redacted] has been selected to try and get all dues and S.P.
funds caught up. In January we will look over the situation
and see if we have to change our obligation to the N.O.

[redacted] said he was suspended from his
job as a weldor instructor at Fullerton Jr. College because he
was accused of being a member of the C.P. Party by the John
Bircher's. An all out fight will be put forth against this.

"Meeting to be held for [redacted] a reception
in the evening and a public meeting at 8:30 PM.

"About 30 person of whom I recognize the following



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ACTION:

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-59001)(C)
RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY (JBS)
INFORMATION CONCERNING
INTERNAL SECURITY

[redacted]
[redacted] Beverly Hills, California, [redacted]
[redacted] JBS, established contact,
confidentially advised Agent of Los Angeles Office 1/3/62
that he submitted 1/3/62 a notarized deposition to [redacted]
[redacted], Visalia, Calif., Counsel, Senate
Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, Sacramento.
[redacted] stated he gave instant statement the character,
motives and function of the JBS. [redacted] stated that
he understands that an investigation of JBS is being conducted
"by deposition" of persons believed to be knowledgeable
pro and con the organization; and he indicated the investiga-
tion he anticipates will lead either to the placing of
instant group on "the subversive list" of instant committee,
or will lead to at least a report by the committee harmful
to the JBS in the public mind. [redacted] said he estimated
this outcome from the political, partisan character of the
origin of the investigation in the office of Attorney General
STANLEY MOSK.

[redacted] Coast Federal Savings Press
Enterprise Speakers Bureau, 9th and Hill Sts., Los Angeles,
an established contact, confidentially advised 1/9/62 that
invitations have been privately issued for 150 to 200 of the

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top level membership of JBS to meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. PHILLIP CHANDLER of the Los Angeles Times, 1200 South Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena, California, 1/13 and 14/62, to hear ROBERT WELCH, founder of JBS. Copy is furnished San Francisco for information.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-47307)

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SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

"FRONTIER" MAGAZINE
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On 1/10/62, [redacted] furnished the writer the January, 1962, issue of FRONTIER magazine (vol. 13, #3) which she received through the mail at her home as a result of her subscription to that periodical. Items of interest in the magazine include a featured article, "A Vanishing Species: Patriotism and the Right (Wrong) kind of Education." This article is by WESLEY MARK (whose name is also listed as WESLEY MARK), contains education and schooling in Southern California and contains derogatory remarks regarding the John Birch Society.

Pages 16 and 17 contains a series of book reports by Professor JOHN W. CAUGHEY regarding Cuba under CASTRO and the July 26 movement of 1953. Books reviewed include, "The Cuban Story" by HERBERT L. MATTHEWS; "Cuba, Anatomy of a Revolt" by LEO AUBERMAN and PAUL M. SWEETZ; "M-26; Biography of a Revolution" by ROBERT TABER; "Cuba and U. S. Policy" by THEODORE DRAPER.

Page 26 contains the usual advertisement by DOROTHY MARSHALL indicating she is a realtor doing business at 3855 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles.

The original of this issue of FRONTIER magazine will be maintained as an exhibit in 100-47307-1B.

ACTION: All necessary action re the above has been taken by the writer.

cc: [redacted]

105-2344 (CUBAN ACTIVITIES)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-58382 [redacted]
100-43581 [redacted]

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By Russell FitzPatrick

Small wonder that California Republicans wear a harried look these days.

Witness the complications which beset them—in addition to the heavily weighted Democratic registration:

First, they are trying to cope with the fact that they

are in the first contested primary campaign situation they have faced in 24 years. Not since 1938, when the then Governor Frank Merriam had to beat George J. Hatfield, Raymond Haight and a fistful of lesser G.O.P. lights in a hot primary, have Republicans come up with more than one contender for the office of Governor.

So-o-o, they approach their primary problem by means of an "ethical campaign" pledge.

This is both unrealistic and unfair to GOPartisans.

Unrealistic, because it lies within the very nature of a power-seeking politician to do anything he can get away with in the course of a campaign.

Let's not take the "ethics" angle too seriously. When the time comes for the fur to fly, fly it will.

Unfair, because if there's any rascality in the makeup of any given candidate, GOPartisans are entitled to know it.

Meanwhile, snapping at the heels of all G.O.P. candidates are the wolves in varied disguises designed to portray 22,000 red blooded (you furnish the blood) Americanism.

Although most of them disclaim any direct connection with Robert Welch, current messiah of the far right, they all seem to arrive at political conclusions which parallel his well publicized philosophy.

So we find Republicans branding Tom Kuchel, Earl Warren, Dwight Eisenhower, the late John Foster Dulles, Gov. Rockefeller and a whole host of respected Republican leaders as being either out and out commies or, at the very least, "comsymps", a cutie composed by prophet Welch, himself.

Witness too, the dilemma of the Young Republicans.

A "conservative" who denies any connection with the Birch group, but who is an open supporter of Bircher Congressman Rousellot, now heads the Southern California YR—and makes no bones about his desire to capture

the whole state organization in the name of "conservatism".

The Dec. 21 election of a president of the YR club in Hollywood has produced another "conservative" vs "middle of the road" hassle within Republican ranks.

Poor Richard Nixon, trying to remain aloof from the intra party fight will be forced, sooner or later, to declare himself as being either pro or anti Birch Society. Neither faction within the party will settle for less. Depend upon the fanatics of the right to force his hand—one way or another.

Added to their highly organized letter and telephone campaigns, their insistence upon all white or all red political labling and their shrill insistence on everyone joining in their vague "fight against communism", the Birchers have another powerful ace in the hole.

It's money.

If they can't raise all they need, locally, they can always import some from Texas where Birchism has become a new and strangely popular religion.

Of all the G.O.P. candidates, Nixon faces the worst dilemma—the worst threat from the far right.

Joe Shell says that he will discuss state issues and voice his stand on each of them. Then, he says, those who agree with him are invited to support him with their votes.

But Poor Richard faces the toughest choice of all. To Birch or not to Birch—that's his question.

To take up arms against a sea of Birchers and all their lovely lettuce—or to sleep—to sleep with an uneasy conscience, that is the problem Poor Richard faces in the weeks ahead.

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"BEVERLY HILLS TIMES,"
Beverly Hills, California
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Thursday, January 18, 1962
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Welch Asked for Proof of Reds in Government

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department has asked Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society, to produce any evidence supporting his charges of Communists in government.

So far, said an official, Welch has not responded to the request made Dec. 8.

The official, Asst. Atty. Gen. J. Walter Yeagley, chief of the department's internal security division, said Tuesday he wrote Welch about a speech Welch gave Nov. 20 in Austin, Tex.

Can't Be Reached

In Belmont, Mass., Tuesday Welch could not be reached for comment on the Department of Justice statement that he has failed thus far to turn over any evidence to support his Nov. 20 assertion that there were Communists in the government.

A telephoned request to speak to Welch at the headquarters of his society in the Boston suburb was referred to a secretary instead. After listening to a repetition of the request to speak to Welch about the statement of Yeagley, the woman secretary responded:

"Mr. Welch has no comment whatsoever to make on that."

Speech Quoted

Yeagley said news accounts quoted Welch as referring to "a comparatively few thousand Communists, concentrated in key departments of the government."

The John Birch Society which Welch heads is a militantly conservative organization pledged to fight communism.

A federal grand jury investigation of Communist Party officers and members has been under way for two weeks. It is looking into failure of the U.S. Communists

to register under provision of the Internal Security Act.

The act also requires applicants for government jobs to disclose whether they are members of any Communist group.

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Birch Society
Echoes Soviets,
Says Kuchel

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (UPI)—Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel, R-Calif., said yesterday the right-wing John Birch Society followed the same ideological line as the Soviet Union.

Kuchel said in a radio-TV interview the Birch Society's goals—such as pulling the United States out of the United Nations and NATO—proved his contention.

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Date 1/29/62

Los Angeles Division

Editor: H. ROBERT H.
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RE: *John Birch Society*

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Ask Welch For Reds In Gov't.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 (AP)—The Justice Department has asked Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society, to produce any evidence supporting his charges of Communists in government.

So far, said an official, Welch has not responded to the request made Dec. 8.

The official, assistant Atty. Gen. J. Walter Yeagley, chief of the department's internal security division, said today he wrote Welch about a speech Welch gave Nov. 20 in Austin, Tex.

The assistant Attorney General said news accounts quoted Welch as referring to "a comparatively few thousand Communists, concentrated in key departments" of the government.

Yeagley said he wrote Welch, "the charges you make are not to my knowledge supported by the material in the investigation files of Government employees."

"It would be my suggestion that you turn over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation at once such facts as may be in your possession and the sources thereof which you believe establish that certain Government employees are members of the Communist party."

"If appropriate action is to be taken it is necessary that such data as you indicate you possess be made available for the use of the Government," Yeagley added. Yeagley is responsible for prosecuting anyone who falsely denied Communist party membership in applying for Government work.

Yeagley said neither he nor the FBI received acknowledgment of his letter to Welch.

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Los Angeles Division

Editor: HERBERT H. KRAUCH

RE: *John Birch Society*

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Nixon Refuses Backing Of Birch Society Chief

Former Vice President Richard M. Nixon returned here today after San Diego and Imperial County speeches in which he repudiated support from "people like Robert Welch," founder of the John Birch Society.

The former Vice President, now a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, lashed out at Welch and others who have said that former President Dwight D. Eisenhower was a dupe of the Communists.

"Any Republican who does not repudiate that

kind of support would be hurting the Republican party," Nixon told people attending a reception tendered him by the San Diego County Federation of Republican Women. He added:

"It is very important to recognize the right of every American citizen to take any view he wants on public positions, except where in advocating his views he resorts to violation of American principles.

"I welcome support of people who differ with me on various issues, but under no circumstances will I want support of those who resort to that kind of tactics."

Earlier, in an El Centro press conference, Nixon was asked by Mrs. Annetta Brown, Imperial Valley newspaper editor, whether he had repudiated the John Birch Society. He replied:

"I would have to disassociate myself from any group which depends for its existence upon calling people like Dwight Eisenhower a Communist."

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Date 1-31-62

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Editor: HERBERT H. KRAUCH

RE:

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Gentlemen;

I'm curious about something, namely the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

As [redacted] and I were coming out at the end of the 10 O'Clock Mass this A.M. I was stopped by a stranger who proceeded to give me a sales pitch, starting off with..."[redacted]" and later "[redacted]" I corrected him. At least he had the 'H' correct.

Having seen many mentions of the Society in the papers I have somewhat the feeling that I should give it a wide berth. Don't ask me 'why', as honestly I could'nt give a good solid reason. Perhaps I shy away from things that are shown in private homes. If it is the K. of C. Hall, or the Methodist Church, or the Salvation Army at least you feel there is nothing to hide. Perhaps I make Mt's. out of the proverbial molehills.

Forgive any and all mistakes. I'm an actor, NOT a typist and would starve to death if I were to depend on this machine for a living. My phone, un-listed is [redacted] should you wish to call. The address at bottom of letter.

It was suggested this A.M. that possibly the word 'Democrat' frightened me away, to which I said then as I do now: A mans politics are of no interest to me, be he Dem. or Rep. I am a Dem. have been for years, and with the help of God, WILL be for years. Only should a man be an admitted Communist would I think he was A SON-OF-A-BITCH, and would tell him to his face.

At your convenience I would appreciate a word as to the Bureau's attitude re: the above mentioned society. Thank you.

With my every good wish, and forgive please my addressing this as I do to - Gentlemen, as I know no-one personally in your dept.

Sincerely,

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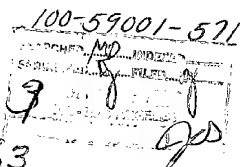
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1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California
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[Redacted]
Los Angeles 27, California

Dear [Redacted]:

Reference is made to your recent letter.

Although I would like very much to be able to assist you, I must advise the Federal Bureau of Investigation is strictly an investigative agency and information in our files is confidential and available for official use only. Furthermore, the Federal Bureau of Investigation makes no evaluations or recommendations concerning the character or integrity of any organization, individual or publication. You should not interpret our inability to furnish any comment as implying that we do or do not have information in our files concerning the subject of your inquiry.

Very truly yours,


W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES

DATE: 2/1/62

FROM : SA

SUBJECT: *✓ 100-59001 X*
JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
ONTARIO, CALIF. CHAPTER
MISC. INFO CONCERNING

Attached is a letter received by the writer from
ROLPH FAIRCHILD, Editor, THE DAILY REPORT, Ontario, Calif.
It is recommended that the appropriate names,
marked for indexing, be indexed, before filing.

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[redacted]
The Publisher (Jerene Appleby Harnish) is fitting a pipeline into the John Birch Society's Ontario chapter, which has been meeting at the residence of [redacted]

[redacted] Ontario (south across G St. from the Von's Market) large house on the corner). [redacted] is the widow of a leading dentist killed in an auto flip en route back here from east ~~Europe~~ in foreign car purchased when they were on trip to Europe; she was injured. This was 3-4 years ago after big trip abroad.

Also present at this meeting was [redacted] son, in mid-30's, [redacted] Ontario, which is where he had just started in practice with his father when Dr. H., Sr. was killed. (Dr. H., Sr., was my original dentist ^{here,} but I quit the son.)

Approximately 30 persons attended a meeting held approximately last weekend, of whom Publisher's informant estimated that 10 were ~~active~~ "critical" of John Birch Society but had come in response to [redacted] invitation; remainder were steadies who belong.

Young [redacted] assisted his mother in welcoming the guests, ~~he~~ arranging chairs, etc. Blinds were drawn, lighting kept subdued, and guests arrived ~~one~~ one or two at a time in the best Communist tradition. Young [redacted] was reported to have asked his mother why she kept the blinds drawn (he's smart enough to realize this would attract attention rather than make the meeting less noticeable), and she is reported to have replied: "Because they would kill me, if I didn't!"

She's not potty. Rather, she's the All-American Club Woman who has discovered Communism (last year). She has money, more time than
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she knows what to do with, and she is absolutely f chock full of good intentions. She was brought up in the good old American Red Schoolhouse tradition, believing G. Washington really did cut down that cherry tree and couldn't tell a lie, etc. However, she has little real education, no grasp or understanding of recent U.S. or world history and has frankly confessed to me she "paid absolutely no attention to any of this stuff you read in the newspapers until just this past year or so."

Then she was swept up in the hysteria that overtook her comfortably well-to-do set and caught fire with the John Birch message. She and I broke off when, after a series of meetings with her here at the office which the Publisher advised me then were a waste of time, in which I tried to get her to read and understand some of our tru local CP problems, such as the UE's bankrolling, she ended off by ~~saying~~ ~~it~~ shocked ~~some~~ after I told her I didn't want any part of the ~~JBS~~ JBS because of what it represented:

1. "I am certainly not a John Birch member and I don't know any of my friends who are. In fact, I don't know anybody who is!" *she said* (This is what they mean by using the Communist methods to fight Communism; so she told me an outrageous lie, which she must have known I knew was a lie.)

2. "But you are such a fine man, [redacted] -such a fine man! I don't understand why you take this attitude."

She has roped in a lot of people, such as Episcopal rector [redacted] of Ontario--who is somewhat left of center--and has some converts, such as nice old [redacted] hairmaster at my own church (Congregational, Ontario). There was a big fracas about the first meeting ^{which} [redacted] as she's familiarly known, held at her geuse. [redacted] was fully informed at the time. (more)

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Point here is that she now has roped her son in on helping conduct her secret meetings, and despite specific denials that she is heading a John Birch group, continues to hold them. b6 b7C

Informant said that the meeting was dreadfully dull- [redacted] [redacted] with her son seated near her, read for a couple of hours solidly from the fulminations of Welch, the head of the John Birch Society. These were his "instructions" to the faithful, she indicated.

[redacted] pronounced [redacted] Red Hill (Cucamonga), [redacted] 8th near Vineyard, Upland,) is to let Publisher know when next meeting is slated to be held. I may drop past and jot down a few license numbers just to see... Informant says she will supply Publisher with list of names of all persons present she recognizes⁵ and a head count each meeting. This is being encouraged as valuable information which we will pass along "to proper quarters." (Don't worry--she doesn't get your name or address.)

I don't know the ~~name~~ name of this [redacted] [redacted] being the actual informant. However, she went out of curiosity and then talked to her sister, who suggested she talk to [redacted] who gave her an earful about the basic political philosophy of the the Sons of Birchers. She she offered to provide info on them--perhaps at the Publisher's suggestion, I don't know. I'll get the informant's name in time, tho, and will pass it along when it becomes available. As indicated, there is some recent past history on this operation, in which Geo. said he was "pretty interested."

[redacted]

The Public Forum

The purpose of this department is to permit a public expression of opinions by citizens and taxpayers, but no letters containing purely personal or abusive matter will be acceptable for publication.

Name and address must accompany every letter, even though an anonymous signature is used. Any opinion expressed herein has no connection with the editorial policy of this newspaper.

Congressman Should Switch Attack to Extreme Leftists

Editor, The News:

I read, with some surprise, the comments of Congressman Corman, as recently reported in The News; I feel it demands a reaction from every member of the community because of its importance.

The Congressman centered his comments around the number of John Birch members

in the Valley area; he began by stating that the Birch Society "is causing trouble" to some Protestant churches. If the Birch Society were indeed a "threat to churches," then why not to All churches, Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, etc.

I don't understand this Congressman trying to set Americans against American, Protestant against Catholic and Jewish.

Prominent Participants

He continued, "... there is some evidence of people diminishing the amount they are giving to churches to go to the Birchers."

I have always believed that people give money to churches because they believe in the work of those churches; they believe their money is needed there.

If individuals, or even the churches themselves, come to believe their money is in some measure needed for the poor, community service, or the national interest, are they not free to give their money where they choose? that's our right as Americans. Isn't it?

According to The News, Mr. Corman also "cited charges against ministers and against literature prepared by Protestant headquarters." It seems ironic, then, to me that Protestant ministers have been some of the most participants in the School of anti-communism and the recent Peace Alert. I have never heard a charge against any person just because he is a Protestant.

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The Congressman went on to say "there have been efforts to bring Birch-type material into the churches." Here again the churches are free institutions and have the right to accept or reject any literature they consider.

The Congressman further stated that the public should "get information from a better, broader source," and goes on to suggest UN associations.

In his book *Communist America — Must It Be?* the Rev. Billy James Hargis, an ordained Protestant minister states, "The United Nations exists to take a way from America even its right to determine where its own money shall be spent, how it shall be spent, by whom it shall be spent, and whom it shall benefit."

The UN seems to be hardly the "better, broader source" for information on Americanism that some would have us believe.

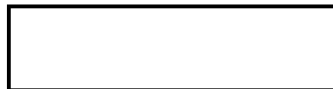
Quit Shadow-boxing

While I am not a member of the John Birch Society, I just cannot understand why any sincere person would, in the name of liberalism, oppose groups or individuals who are a powerful source of resistance to International Communism.

J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has said, "... thank God, there are millions of Americans who oppose them (the Communists). If we open our eyes, inform ourselves, and work together, we can keep our country free."

In connection with Mr. Corman's opposition, it is my opinion that we need political leaders who will quit shadow-boxing a mythical "extreme right," and start attacking the very real threat of the "extreme left" so prevalent in the world today.

ROBERT R. MULQUEEN
North Hollywood.



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Many Afraid Rightists Aid Communists

Big Danger Seen in Dividing and Confusing Public

Among the theories of Birch Society founder Robert Welch is the "principle of inversion. It holds that Communists may operate directly contrary to their apparent interests just to confuse people. Some intriguing applications are discussed in this fourth of six articles on the far right.

BY **RELMAN MORIN**
AP Special Correspondent

One eerie, reverse-English aspect of the climate created in the United States by the rise of the rightist movement haunts many Americans today.

They fear that the super-patriot, far from hurting the Communists, may in fact be helping them by his tactics.

Writing of the John Birch Society, Thomas M. Storke, publisher of the Santa Barbara (Cal.) News-Press, noted:

"It is worth pondering the possibility that the organization, unwittingly, is following a Communist-inspired line to destroy Americans' faith in their most respected leaders and institutions."

Delight Moscow

The daily Palo Alto (Cal.) Times said in an editorial:

"The extremists . . . in their fear of communism or their zeal to counter it are failing about and damaging the very institutions they claim they are trying to preserve. Their irresponsible attacks . . . tend to create the kind of atmosphere that delights Moscow's professional agitators."

The Seattle Times said "the danger lies in the potential ability of an extremist group to divide and confuse the American public merely by mounting a horse labeled 'anti-communism' and riding it off in all directions."

California Atty. Gen. Mosk says the Russians already have claimed Robert Welch, founder of the Birchers, as a "new supporter." Mosk's report on the society quotes an article in the Literary Gazette of Moscow, dated April 14, 1961, as saying:

"Lenin said that the most ardent foes of communism will eventually become frightened and suspicious of everybody who does not agree with them."

Charges Cited

"Now the Communist movement has gained unexpectedly a new supporter. His name is Robert Welch."

The article, as quoted by Mosk, then cites some of Welch's charges against highly-placed Americans and says:

"This is the teaching of Robert Welch and his John Birch Society. Here is more proof that Lenin's teachings and predictions were correct."

Rev. Robert A. Graham, SJ, wrote in the Catholic magazine, America:

"Applying Welch's own principle of inversion, a perfect case can be made out for the thesis that Welch himself is a Communist, so much has he helped the Red cause in the United States."

Example Given

The principle referred to is Welch's contention that the Russians try to make Americans believe black is white, and vice versa. For example, the rightist — and not only the Birchers — asserts:

That Soviet Premier Khrushchev's violent attacks on the late Dag Hammarskjold, secretary general of the United Nations, were designed to conceal the fact that Hammarskjold actually was "a Red."

That Khrushchev in fact controls the United Nations, but demanded sweeping changes in it, structurally, to cover up the fact that he is its master.

A typical example appeared in Welch's version of what presumably happened

in the abortive invasion of Cuba last April. The Boston Herald quoted Welch as saying:

"The Cuba invasion was planned by Castro and his friends in our government to make Cuba stronger throughout Latin America, to reduce U.S. prestige, and . . . for the purpose of killing off future resistance."

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Confusing Program

This is the "principle of inversion."

It becomes a little confusing, however, when you find Welch saying on a television program:

"And you saw the Supreme Court of the United States making decisions which the Communists themselves praised and glorified . . . and which the Communists announced as the greatest victories ever won by the Communist Party."

So, in "glorifying" these "victories," does it mean that the Communists actually considered them shattering defeats?

The far rightists, however, do not confine themselves to mere talk. There have been a few instances where they took direct action.

California Incidents

They are accused, in two instances in California, of trying to disrupt meetings. They have done some picketing. They are credited with organizing the recall of a member of a school board. They campaigned against newspapers and vilified individual newspapermen.

In the numerous newspaper editorials about the far rightists, the word "subversion" frequently appears.

The Los Angeles Times said: "subversion whether of the left or the right, is still subversion."

The independent Concord (N.H.) Monitor spoke of the "wild statements and fascist-like utterances of the founder of the Birch Society" and it added, "Subversion is a crime which can be committed by the extremists of the right or left."

Rightists Reply

These are some of the charges against the rightists. They often reply, "If we are extremists, what is the ADA? Why aren't they attacked?" (The Americans for Democratic Action, founded in 1948 to promote liberal causes and candidates. Many conservatives consider it ultra-liberal, on the extreme left wing.).

A Long Beach (Cal.) woman participating in the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, said, "Surely it is a good thing if more people know about communism! You don't have to believe everything said by some of the speakers . . ."

Another rightist assertion is that "Moscow has sent out the word to push as hard as possible an anti-anti-Communist movement in the U.S. That's one reason why people criticize us."

Called Study Group

Rep. John Rousselot (R-Cal.), one of the state's two congressmen who say they are members of the Birch Society, described it as "basically a home study group—a living room study sort of thing."

And the Omaha World-Herald said of the Birch Society:

" . . . the errors and excesses of Robert Welch seem out of proportion to the fury of the attack on what until recently has been an obscure right-wing organization."

"The attack suggests that the Birchers have had some success in rallying public opinion against the leftist tide and that their success shocks Socialists and Communists more than did the libels and slurs against Mr. Eisenhower and Mr. Warren."

"For that reason, we hope the Birchers will change their tactics, but will maintain their zeal, and go on with the fight against big brother government."

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BILL STOUT

It may seem terribly presumptuous of me to say so, but I consider the acquisition of the Beverly Hills Times a most gratifying development.

Gratifying and stimulating and challenging, too, and not just from my point of view but from yours as well, because the change of ownership signifies an intensifying of a contest.



It is a contest of ideas and a competition of wills. It is to be a clear and direct conflict between those who argue there should be no voices of dissent and those who insist there must be if our way of life is to prevail.

One example: I have, as a columnist in this newspaper, leaned on the John Birch Society many times, as hard as possible.

I have tried to obtain interviews with various Birch members and officers, both for my space in this newspaper and for television programs. I have been involved with. I have been rejected each time.

RENEWED INVITATION

Now, with newspaper space available week after week, I want to renew my invitation. I want to ask Birch leaders or spokesmen in this community, men of the stature of Paul Talbert, to consider my suggestion in all seriousness.

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Whatever they agree to contribute, on a regular basis, will be printed regularly. They know I will disagree with them, as I know they will disagree with me, but that is not the point.

The purpose of our appearing in the same folio, and the purpose of my invitation would be to remind Americans of all political persuasions that this nation was born in the din of the clash of ideas, the noisy conflict of ideologies.

Frankly, I like that noise. I find it soothing. It sends me to bed each night with the reassurance that the kind of freedom our ancestor's sought is today a real and lively thing.

I know very well that most publishers are not willing to tolerate disagreement with whatever narrow views they hold. One newspaper magnate in particular comes to mind, a man who granted space to all city council candidates except one.

A journalism student from a local university visited this pillar of prejudice and inquired into the reasons for his action. The publisher snarled a few clichés about free enterprise and ordered the student out of his office.

The only explanation he gave was that he owned the newspaper and would do as he damn well pleased. The fact he was unfair to a candidate for office, and therefore unfair to his readers in depriving them of the candidate's views, did not bother him in the least.

This weekly newspaper has been different. It has been from the beginning and will continue to be so.

CONTROVERSY AND DISSENT

My personal preoccupation is with ideas, arguments and controversy. Notice, there is no proviso that any argument must be the same as mine, and no insistence that an idea will be allowed only if it is consistent with mine.

Quite the opposite. The pressures most of us feel, to conform, to agree, to surrender the right of dissent, are the very forces this publication is sworn to oppose.

If there is any dedication in these pages, it is to the principle that every man has the right to step out of line and set his own pace, to challenge the most sacred precepts and quarrel with the most exalted persons.

Regrettably, that dedication is a rarity these days. Real estate men have moved into the news-

paper business, and the most boring babbits imaginable have set themselves up as arbiters of theory and taste.

This publication will be different, we promise you, and with your help we will succeed, and if we do, the community will be better because of our efforts.



By BOB WELLS

Welch Know Meaning of U.S.S.R.?

Robert Welch, Founder and Biggest Brother of the John Birch Society, popped up in Los Angeles Tuesday night with his now-familiar cry: "This is a republic, not a democracy. Let's keep it that way."

"Democracy is a weapon of demagoguery and a perennial fraud," Welch said. But on the other hand, "A constitutional republic is the best of all forms of government man has yet devised."

That's an interesting statement and deserves examination. My Webster's Collegiate Dictionary defines a republic as "A state in which the sovereign power resides in a certain body of the people (the electorate)."

It defines a democracy as a "government in which the supreme power is retained by the people and exercised either directly (absolute or pure democracy) or indirectly (representative democracy) through a system of representation."

Thus, while a democracy may be a republic, a republic is not necessarily a democracy. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, for instance, is a constitutional republic because under the U.S.S.R. constitution the sovereign power resides in a certain body of people—the Communist Party—but it is not a democracy because the power does not reside in all the people.

Don't you find it fascinating that Robert Welch, leader of the Big Brother Bund which is so loudly anti-Communist, finds the Soviet form of government superior to our representative democracy?

Was Wilson First?

Welch goes further and insists that no one in this country took the idea of democracy seriously until Woodrow Wilson. This, again, demonstrates Welch's almost total lack of background in American history.

When Thomas Jefferson, for instance, founded his political party he chose to call it the "Democratic Republican Party." Under Andrew Jackson it became simply the "Democratic Party." In the early years of our republic, James Fenimore Cooper wrote a book called "The American Democrat." That most perceptive of foreign visitors, Alexis de Tocqueville, titled his pene-

trating study of life in the United States, "Democracy in America."

Indeed, if there is one assumption common to our whole literary heritage from Cooper through Whitman to Carl Sandburg it is the assumption that this is a democracy.

Abraham Lincoln found time to set down in writing his concept of democracy:

"As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy. Whatever differs from this, to the extent of the difference, is no democracy."

Mrs. Dilling's Theory

It is true, of course, that there have been others before Robert Welch to denounce democracy. Matter of fact, Robert Welch's attacks on democracy seem to have been taken practically intact from the little band of American fascists who in the 1930s and 40s praised Hitler and Mussolini and denounced "government of the people, by the people and for the people" as decadent.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling, for instance, was as concerned about the republic vs. democracy nonsense as Welch. As the John Birch Society was to do later, she distributed cards declaring that this was "a Republic, not a Democracy."

"Our U.S.A. form of government," she wrote, "is a Republic, not a Democracy, the difference being between government by checked and balanced Constitutional law and representatives, or government by direct mobocracy."

She found no "mobocracy" in Hitler's Germany or Mussolini's Italy. Speaking of fascism, she wrote: "It seeks a harmony between all classes and concedes to industrialists, white collar, professional, as well as laboring workers, a place in the social order as necessary parts, not 'class enemies' of the whole, but under State control."

For these and other writings, Mrs. Dilling was listed on the Nazi honor roll of "loyal Americans." After an investigation by the FBI, she was indicted for sedition on July 22, 1942.



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Republic, Democracy or Democratic Republic?

"DEMOCRACY," says Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society, "is a weapon of demagoguery."

If he means that democracy encourages freedom of speech and that this right is abused by demagogic minds, we could not agree with him more heartily.

He, himself, is an example of this truth. However, the abuse does not make democracy less desirable; it makes demagogic minds more despicable.

By some odd quirk, Mr. Welch thus declares himself an enemy of the "weapon" which he uses. His motto: "This is a Republic, not a Democracy, Let's Keep It That Way!"

His quibble must confuse many persons not used to defining or thinking about the words of politics and government.

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A REPUBLIC IS A STATE in which the supreme power rests in the people or officers elected by them.

A democracy is a state in which the people rule themselves, by direct vote or through elected representatives.

These are commonly-accepted definitions, and as anybody can see, there is no essential difference between representative democracy and a republic.

The apparent distinction which Mr. Welch makes is that under a republic the legislative power rests (or should rest) in the hands of representatives selected by the elite rather than by the masses or, as he puts it, by the "mob."

The Founding Fathers, Mr. Welch indicates, intended it that way.

That the Founding Fathers may have had a more broadminded view is suggested by the preamble of the Constitution, which begins with the words, "We, the people," and by the words in Article I, "The House of Representatives shall be composed of members chosen every second year by the people of the several States." Please note the repetition of the word "people."

We are not, however, accepting the idea that the Constitution of the United States was conceived in perfection and remains as immutable as a shaft of marble. It has been amended frequently, and for the most part improved thereby, and probably will be amended again and again as time passes. Our hope is that the changes will be worthy of this great democracy and this great republic.

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In his speech to the Freedom Club in Los Angeles, Mr. Welch listed several things which he considers destructive to the republic. Among these are government competition with private industry, government control of agriculture, and the infringement of government upon communications and other features of the nation's life.

We, too, deplore the growing influence of government in the affairs of the people. However, these infringements tend to destroy democracy rather than advance it.

The truth is that government has acquired more and more control over the lives of private citizens. This does not mean that democracy is bad, but that the citizens have not used their democratic rights to prevent such a development.

What Mr. Welch seems to suggest is that since the people have not used their rights in a way of which Mr. Welch approves, they should have those democratic rights taken away from them. He doesn't want a republic; he wants an oligarchy, rule of the "fit" few. We admit that he does not say that in so many words; it is a deduction on our part from his scathing criticism of democracy and from his term "mob rule." If we are wrong in our deduction, would somebody please tell us what he DOES mean when he declares that democracy, of which our government is a form, "is a weapon of demagoguery and a perennial fraud"?

Sometimes we wonder whether he really understands what he is talking about, whether he hasn't simply gotten himself committed to a slogan and a set of statements which pride prevents him from renouncing.

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unswerving, unquestioning supporters are going to say to these comments. They are going to say that since we are critical of Mr. Welch, we must be in favor of the Communists. This newspaper has a long record of opposition to communism which goes back far beyond the advent of Mr. Welch on the ideological scene. We're still against the Communists; we just don't happen to like Mr. Welch's brand of extremism, either.

In case he ever decides to change, we have a slogan which he would find more defensible than the one he now uses:

"This Is a Democratic Republic.
Let's Keep It That Way."



Eye Opener

By BOB WELLS

Welch Traces All to Income Taxes

Robert Welch, Biggest Brother of the John Birch society, declared the other night in Los Angeles that "we are being insidiously, conspiratorially and treasonably led by deception, by bribery, by coercion and by fear to destroy a republic that was the envy and model for all of the civilized world."

In the past, Welch has named former President Eisenhower and Chief Justice Earl Warren among others as leading us toward socialism and communism. This time he again referred to "Mr. Warren and the Supreme Court and all of their allies, dupes and bosses," but he went all the way back to the Woodrow Wilson administration for further evidence of "com-symp" chicanery.



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The destruction of the republic was begun in the Wilson administration, he indicated, with the establishment of the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax.

I was interested in the listings of the Federal reserve system as a socialist-Communist plot against America. This is a comparatively new charge that has been popping up in the folklore of Welch's Big Brother Bund and other organizations of the radical right.

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How Welch Figures It

By organizing banking under the 12 federal Reserve banks, the charge goes, the comsymps have set up an apparatus to control American financial affairs.

So I again got out that secret weapon against the Birchers—the history book. The Federal Reserve Act was passed in 1913 during the Wilson administration—true.

Carter Glass of Virginia, then a congressman, later senator, was the father of the Federal Reserve Act. This is the same Carter Glass who was a conservative thorn in the side of the New Deal, and whom FDR once called “an unreconstructed rebel.”

If we trace the concept of a national banking system back further, we eventually come to Alexander Hamilton, spiritual father of the Republican Party. In 1791, at Hamilton's insistence, Congress established the first Bank of the United States, with branches in eight cities.

History of Income Tax

The charges that the graduated income tax is a socialist device is an old one. Col. William Gayle, radical right candidate for governor and admirer of the John Birch Society, flatly states in his campaign literature that he believes the income tax to be a Marxist invention.

Again, history is against him. The first income tax was passed in England in 1692. Another was introduced by conservative statesman William Pitt and passed in 1799. The income tax has been assessed in England since 1842 without interruption.

In the United States, the first income tax was passed in 1862 during the administration of—write down the name of this comsymp—Abraham Lincoln. It helped finance the Civil War and was abolished in 1872.

Thrown Out at First

Another federal income tax was passed in 1894 during the Cleveland administration. The confirmed Bircher might find some significance in the name of Cleveland's vice president—Adlai E. Stevenson, grandfather of the present U.N. ambassador. Anyway, the tax was declared unconstitutional on the grounds it was a direct tax and direct taxes must be apportioned among the different states in proportion to their populations.

In 1913, during the Wilson administration but following a generation of agitation and effort, the 16th Amendment was passed, granting Congress the power to tax income.

Curiously, most citizens of the Soviet Union pay no income taxes and the few who do are taxed a maximum of only 13 per cent. The Soviet government is financed by what amounts to a stiff sales tax.

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Twin Cities Branch Meeting
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Present 14 Chairman []

1. Minutes were read and accepted
2. Communications

1-There was a letter from FARROLL DOBBS to [] on the very fine job in organizing and carrying out of the joint meeting in defense of the legal rights of the CP.

- 3 - Social Committee report by []

All the comrades did an excellent job on the New Years Eve Social. It was one of the best socials that we've had in a long time. There were 34 people present and party made a total of \$68.00 - There was a motion to accept report - carried

- 4 - Report by []

[] said that the clean up committee did a very good job incleaning up the headquarters, and that he was very sorry that he could not attended the social, but his train was late. [] was in L.A. for 6 weeks taking care of JIM CANNON while [] went to the desert. [] went to the doctor with [] and his eyes are coming along very good, and in 2 months or more he will be fitted for glasses. []

[] attended two branch meetings in L.A. and reported on the Twin Cities Forum in defense of the CP. [] reported that the Birch Society put on a weeks school and had speakers on TV, about 600 people attended every day. The SLP had a meeting and the Birchers went and heckled the speaker and drove the SLP out of the meeting. There was a very long branch discussion and a motion to accept the report carried.

- 5 - Good and Welfare

[] is working at Lest Score on Snelling Ave in Mpls 2309

- 6 - Intermission

- 7 - Executive board report by []

[] is going to have a mass meeting on Jan 14-15-16 and there defense lawyer will be the speaker. The party will sponsor a meeting on Jan 19 for [] A motion to accept this part of the report passed.

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There is some kind of a labor movement in Northern Minn. and we should try to find out about it.

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The YSA convention has just been held in Chicago and our delegate was [redacted] asked the branch to invite [redacted] to our next branch meeting to give a report and that all branch business should be taken care of before 8:45 so that [redacted] can make a good report. There is to be a letter sent to all members so they can come and hear [redacted] report. Motion to accept this part of report carried.

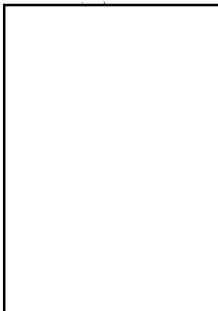
[redacted] recommended to the branch that we reduce the executive board from 9 to 7 this is a recommendation and not a motion. There was then a very long branch discussion and, a motion to reduce the executive board from 9 to 7 the motion passed. The sentiment of the branch was to reduce executive board.

On Jan 17 [redacted] will give an branch educational on Revolution Struggle. and that [redacted] are working on branch educationals.

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U.N. Seen as Red Instrument by Rousselot

The United Nations today is "an instrument of Soviet foreign policy," says Rep. John Rousselot (R-San Gabriel).

"We must either force a drastic reorganization of the U.N. or withdraw our participation," the congressman said at a Republican rally in Covina Saturday night.

Seven-month Study

Rousselot, a member of the John Birch Society, said he has spent seven months researching the U.N.

He charged that Alger Hiss, as "the first acting secretary general of the United Nations," hired almost 600 staff members of the agency, that "many of them still are in key positions and I don't believe he (Hiss) hired people who are looking out for the best interests of the United States and/or the free world."

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"that would be a full time job, especially these days...but God is doing a miserable job... and an even more miserable job of keeping nations together...(applause)..."

"You can all be grateful to SAME for making it possible to hear our honored speaker, [redacted] who has a great message and plan of action... [redacted] ..(applause, a few people stood)..."

[redacted]
"I want to make it clear from the beginning that I am not a member of SAME, nor am I connected in any way with the committee...they simply asked me to come and talk to you, which I agreed to do..."

"(The full text of [redacted] address was available to anyone leaving their name, address and 25¢. You will receive the copy as soon as it appears in my mail box)."

[redacted] We will take time now for questions....

"Q...Do you think that if Red China was in the U.N. that our chances for peace would be better?"

"A...I can't say for sure, but I'll tell you what the Minister of Science and his officers in Moscow said to me before I left...They asked me if I would do everything I could while in America to get total disarmament... I said that every night I would pray to God for such a big, shattering earthquake that Formosa would sink... They said, don't you think it would be easier to pray to God to have Congress approve disarmament...and I said, no, I think it would be much easier to pray for the earthquake to sink Formosa. (applause)."

"Q...Do you think that disarming U. Germany would help to unify Germany and get peace?"

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"A...No, I do not, because with W. Germany, it's not just a matter of disarming...there's still the problem of social and political activity...W. Germany will continue to have free elections and E. Germany would never stand for that...and beside, ADENAUER is in a bad spot where he can't admit publicly, and won't anyway, that there could ever be an end to their traditional free elections. I think too, that all U.S. military bases in W. Germany should be under the complete command of U.S. personnel, NOT NATO. (emphasis his).

"Q...Do you think that Russia will agree to total disarmament, if we do?

"A...Yes, I certainly do...they are very anxious to accomplish this goal...they have told me this...I went to the Pugwash conference and afterwards, stayed for a month in Moscow, talking to all the officials in the Kremlin on this important issue, but I have not had any sanction from Congress (laughter)...However, I might add that even disarmament will not end the tensions between the two countries....

"I would like to get your reactions to forming the new movement described tonight...a minority movement that could be the biggest lobby ever to hit Washington...as one of the students at Brandeis said to me when I spoke on their campus: 'Better be led, than dead'...(applause)... If you are in favor of the movement, send a check b6 : 10 or 25 or 50 dollars to the Council to Abolish b7C... don't send it to me...if within the next 12 months, the council is formed, we will cash your checks...otherwise, the checks will be torn up...No checks will be returned.

[] Thank you [] , this tremendous crowd tonight is a great tribute to you..(applause..about 1/3 of audience stood). Now your chairman [] will introduce the next speaker...

[] Our next speaker, although the time will be short, will in no way detract from her important message...a noted stage and TV personality, charming and lovely

"RITA MORENO, who is largely responsible for organizing HELP, one of the most effective PEACE groups. (applause)

[redacted] I want to tell you about my favorite society and my favorite 50 megaton bomb...can you guess the society? Of course you can...we should all be grateful to Mr. WELCH and his John Birch Society because with their 'awake America' (she raised her right arm high with fist clenched as she repeated 'awake America' 3 times) they have truly awakened us to what we must do....no longer can we depend on any constructive action from Washington or Congress...we must organize and become Birch-syms (applause)...but we will not spread hate and suspicions...because the Birchers are not only well organized, but are also well-heeled...supported by big corporations...able to propagandize on TV...

"We must do what is now imperative...organize to combat opposition but we won't organize in secret...we will do it in the public forum we won't send out expensive bulletins through the mail, but will be out in the open...we won't impeach or hang Chief Justice WARREN, instead, we'll give him our support...we won't try to abolish the U.N. which is our only hope of peace, we'll multiply it. (applause)

"Now, about the 50 megaton bomb...it has developed a mole syndrome and we don't want any part of it...but what the bomb has done is to point up the fact that the arms race will destroy the human race...we refuse to become moles, crawling down into shelters...our only shelter is peace...(applause)...

"Did you read about the families living in a little valley up north, who refused the community bomb shelter and instead took up a collection of \$1000 that they sent to the U.N. because they said that was a much better investment...(applause)

"So now, thanks to the Birchers, we have awakened and we must organize...someone over there in that section of seats, name an organization...you will all have to

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"be our organizations to finance us...Richfield? Now there's a patriotic outfit...that's thinking big...as the baskets are passed up and down the rows, let's fill them full...now, over on this side, name your organization....Carnation? Great. Carnation Milk...Alright, now here in the middle... Edison? Wonderful. Now this is more like it...we must unite and work together if we are to accomplish disarmament and the right to live in a peaceful world... (the amount collected was not announced)....

"(the man sitting behind me was saying that his daughter attends John Adams Junior High School (Santa Monica) and the students are very active working for peace...they have discussions in class and attend all of the school board meetings, raising questions...they are being quite effective.. the bond issue was defeated 3-1 and school services have been cut, making the students suffer as a result....His friend asked if he knew [redacted]...that he had known him in Chicago...wanted to have lunch with him tomorrow but [redacted] is spending every possible minute while here, at Cal-Tech...said [redacted] paid all of his expenses to come out her for this meeting).

[redacted] Would you bomb and kill 1 million Russians to save the lives of 100 Americans?

[redacted] You'd have to name the 100 first...but I'll say this...if I was Commander in Chief and it was up to me to bomb I don't care how many Russians, to save the lives of our American troops, I'd bomb the hell out of them...none of us want war...we all want peace...but first, we protect our own people.

[redacted] War is impossible but not improbable."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

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Warren Impeaching Group Gives Literature to Students

NORTHRIDGE—"The Committee to Impeach Earl Warren" distributed literature to San Fernando Valley State College students this week but because it was done off campus, college officials could take little action.

The literature was passed out Monday morning and urged students to enter an essay contest on "Why Earl

Warren Should Be Impeached."

Cash prizes of \$2800 are offered to the winners.

"To my knowledge the literature was handed out on the south side of Nordhoff St. which is not within the college boundaries," said executive dean Leo Wolfson. "We have no control over what happens off campus."

No Approval Given

"If it had been passed out on campus it would have had to be approved by dean of students John T. Palmer."

Palmer told The News no such approval was given and that to his knowledge none of the literature was passed out on campus.

"Any material that is handed out or posted on campus must meet with the regulations set up in the California Administrative Code, Title 5," said Palmer.

"This code states that any material may be posted or passed out on campus provided it is related to the college-approved program," said Palmer.

Sound Trucks Asked

Two separate requests for the college to issue a permit for a sound truck to drive on campus urging students to sign a petition to impeach Chief Justice Earl Warren were turned down.

"We don't issue permits to anyone for sound trucks on campus because the noise would distract the students who are in class," said David Buck, chief of plant operation. "Our campus streets are closed to all through traffic."

The essay contest is sponsored by the John Birch Society which is conducting it on a national level.

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Ronald Reagan Tells of Twin Red Threat to U.S.

Communism's plan to isolate and destroy the United States without war and growing government encroachment on individual rights are twin threats to American freedom, actor Ronald Reagan told the California Hospital medical staff banquet last night in the Sheraton-West Hotel.

"The time has come when we must answer once again whether life is so dear and peace so sweet as to be purchased at the

price of chains and slavery," Reagan declared.

"If we are unwilling to pledge our lives, our efforts and our sacred honor, then we must one day spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it once was like in America when men were free."

Installation of officers, headed by Dr. Keith P. Russell as chief of staff, and recognition of doctors with 25 or more years of service were other features of the kickoff

event for the hospital's diamond jubilee year.

Communism's timetable for the destruction of capitalism has unfolded with such deadly menace and accuracy, Reagan warned, that it now threatens this country from a beachhead only 90 miles off the Florida coast.

"Carefully with great calculation," he pointed out, "the Communists slice each new gain just thin enough so we'll say — 'that isn't worth fighting for' —

"They predict that when

we reach the final slice our surrender will be voluntary because we will have been weakened from within — morally, spiritually and economically — through fear of war."

Pointing to the futility of foreign aid as a means of halting the inroads of Communism, Reagan charged that 15 years of spending totaling \$100 billion in 97 countries has only created bureaucracy here and spread socialism abroad under the utopian guise of world democracy and social revolution.

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"It's so good to see so many of you here tonight... our holiday bazaar is in full swing and I hope that after the meeting you will finish your shopping here tonight..."

"There are the usual announcements which I will get out of the way now in order for you to hear our honored speaker...the next forum will be Jan. 12 when we will have [redacted] the distinguished radio and TV commentator so be sure to make a note of the date...he will talk on 'Asia and the West'...On Feb. 9 we will have General HUGH HESTON, speakin on 'World Without War' and incidentally, on Jan. 14 at 1:30 p.m. [redacted] will have returned from 3 months behind the iron curtain in East Berlin...and now I'm pleased to present the greatest labor leader of our time...Mr. HARRY BRIDGES...(applause) First I want to mention a slick paper magazine that is available on all newsstands in our city...it has quite a story about Los Angeles churches and tells specifically about 6 denominations and especially treated are the controversial churches...one headed by [redacted] the First Congregational and the other, First Unitarian, with [redacted]...it says here that Mr. FIFIELD is an extremist to the right whereas the Unitarian Church has such speakers as HARRY BRIDGES (applause) and I might say that we certainly have had HARRY BRIDGES, we have him tonight and we'll have him again...(loud applause)..."

"BRIDGES: (wearing a dark suit, hair well groomed, spoke in a soft tone)...It is a real pleasure to be here with you again...I'm supposed to talk about peace and unemployment...well, peace doesn't seem to be any nearer but we certainly do have unemployment...it's a worse problem today than ever...now, if we continue the cold war, and that's what we have with us today, we have to keep an eye on the warfare state...big business always makes money when preparing for war and we have to admit that this makes for more employment...but the military continues to pour 40 or 50 billion dollars of our tax dollars into the military machine and we practically have a military police state...but you'll have to admit that unemployment will be cut down if the war plants are going full blast...I have talked to hundreds of people who will not agree to disarmament because they feel that they will then be out of a job...and it's true unless there is some good planning...."

"In an all-out effort for war, even the minority groups can be put to work harmoniously and prejudice will be gone...temporarily at least...so, a cold war really is preferable to a hot war."

"The other day, up in my home town of San Francisco, the big newspaper, the Chronicle, did one of those question-the-man-on-the-street....The question was: if there's war, would the U.S.A. win or the U.S.S.R....Well, you wouldn't believe it but almost everybody said of course the USA would win... they were all so confident...of course it would be treasonable for any of us to think that we couldn't win...it would be un-American, unpatriotic...because we're the best and the Russians are just bums...but there happened to be a longshoreman who was questioned and he said neither side would win because we'd all be exterminated...and I'm inclined to agree with him...who could survive a thermo-nuclear war...the most vitally important thing for us to do is keep the military bosses from pushing that button...and if they do, none of us will ever have to worry again about unemployment...so in the meantime, we're all better off with a cold war because disarmament could cause a terrific economic upheaval.

"I want to quote a man who has been identified with the extreme right for years, who says that there is a current fear that Mr. KHRUSHCHEV may submit a peace proposal that is acceptable to the U.S.A. and then we'd really go into a tailspin (applause)...so you can see what's bothering the extreme right...

"Here I am talking about war and disarmament when I'm supposed to be talking about peace and unemployment...and we have a very strange situation today, where we now have more unemployment as of Oct. 1961 during a time of comparative prosperity than we had back in Oct. 1931, during the height of the depression and this just doesn't make sense...there are many more young people looking for jobs today and adding them to the number of adults unemployed, it would take 50,000 jobs a week to get them back to work... automation has been a large contributing factor to unemployment.

"The President spoke to the AFL-CIO members and I was disappointed that he did not speak on unemployment and the possibility of tax cuts... instead he talked about the economy structure of the Nation...However, I talked to afterwards and made of point of our problems.

"I have a magazine here called the Nation's Business for Oct. 1959...I'm not going to give you the source until after giving you some facts...The article that interested me is called, 'What Peace will do to you'...it suggests that disarmament should begin slowly...disbanding the military by 750,000 each year...as you know, the military is getting to be much too powerful and should be in the hands of civilians...then the article goes on to say that the income tax should be reduced...and we'd all like that...in fact. some

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"states are already trying to defer or reduce taxes for the unemployed...then they say that instead of pouring billions of tax dollars into the arms race, that money could be used to build more schools, more highways and hospitals...Now wouldn't that be wonderful? And I am using material that I never thought would be possible...it comes from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce...quite a reputable source, you'll have to admit..(laughter)...I never thought I could be quoting the U.S. Chamber, but they have it all figured out and it sounds real good...I think we can get disarmament by working on it a little at a time and lick unemployment at the same time.....

"Questions----- (written)

"Q...Is automation to blame for the unemployment today?

"A...Yes, my guess is that about one half of the unemployed figure is due to automation.

"Q...How can there be more unemployed now than in 1931?

"A...I didn't say there were more figure-wise, but more percentage-wise.

"Q...What can we do to help cure unemployment problem?

"A...Join organizations...join a union if you haven't already...join any action group, except the John Birchers.

"Q...Should we have trade with Red China?

"A...Yes.

"Q...Will we ever have a chance to get a shorter work week with the same pay?

A...Yes, I think it's possible...I was sorry the President didn't talk on this subject.

"Q...Should we have lower protective tariffs?

"A...No, I don't think so...it's a safeguard for our wage scales...we never can match the low wages of other countries.

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"Q...Will the AFL-CIO ever get together?

"A...It doesn't look like it...there just isn't any strong labor leadership in the U.S. today.

"Q...Do you think we will have peace under the Democrats?

"A...I haven't noticed that either party has done much good (applause)

"Q...What do you think of [REDACTED]

"A...I think he is terrific.

"Q...With all the social reforms we have now, why don't we go all the way?

"A...That's a good idea...I'm all for it.

"Q...Do all capitalist countries have unemployment?

"A...Yes.

"Q...Are you against the profit system?

"A...No, of course not, but we must have proper working conditions.

"Q...What has your own union done?

"A...Well, my union, the ILWU has done a lot for our members but we've been real selfish and have just taken care of our own people...of course, you have to remember that we are outcasts and have been for a long time. (applause)

"Q...Are you a registered Republican?

"A...As long as I'm in STEVE's church, I'll say that I am. (applause)

"Q. Are the John Birchers financed by the NAM?

"A. Yes, I really think they are...the NAM is a sort of conservative outfit and the candy-maker has been connected with them so it figures that there would be support, financially and otherwise."

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

Welch Invited to Aid Union Anti-Red Fund

Robert Welch, head of the John Birch Society, was invited Wednesday to contribute to a special "Defense of Freedom Fund for United Steelworkers of America Local 2058."

John Despol, recently named administrator of the local by Steelworkers President David J. McDonald, said the money "will be used solely in defense of freedom of civil liberties and against the attack of the Communist Party which is attempting to destroy this union and the labor movement."

The local was put under trusteeship by the international after a factional fight in which various groups in the membership exchanged accusations of domination by Communists and sympathizers of the Birch Society.

Despol said he has been informed copies of Birch Society publications, including the "Blue Book," have been circulating among union members who are employed by U.S. Steel's Consolidated Western Steel Division in Maywood.

The local, Despol said, has been "under a sustained attack for several years by the Communist Party (which) has failed to destroy Local 2058 . . . but has paralyzed the normal democratic processes of the union."

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Rousselot, Manager Differ on Birch Society

Ben H. Rousselot, R-Los Angeles, and his campaign manager differed today on the John Birch Society, but said they agreed on Rousselot's candidacy for re-election in the 25th Congressional District.

"I am not a member of the John Birch Society, nor could I consider becoming one under its present leadership and organization," said Roy O'Day, who helped former Vice Pres-

ident Richard M. Nixon get started in politics.

"The Democrat Party has been magnifying this issue of the John Birch Society in the coming elections. They are trying to put up a smoke-screen to confuse the voters into believing that all Republicans belong to the John Birch Society and subscribe to its principles," O'Day added.

Rousselot, who said he is

a member of the society and proud of it, noted that he and society founder Robert Welch, former Massachusetts candy maker, disagreed on several points.

O'Day said there was "no disagreement in his loyalty or devotion" to Rousselot and his campaign and that he would continue managing him.

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George Todt's Opinion

Be Specific, Critics!

"... That government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."—LINCOLN, Gettysburg Address.

Curiosity prompts me to ask this question: Is the hysterical, largely emotional vendetta conducted by certain politicians and members of the mass communications media against the John Birch Society really justified — and on what specific grounds? Can it be spelled out? The charges, please?

Is bigotry, intolerance and discrimination being demonstrated against this group? Any prejudice or bias here? Isn't it bad no matter from what direction it emanates?

Many libelous and slanderous attacks have been made against JBS, but few could stand up in court.

Thus far most of the vituperation has been based in "guilt by association" smear tactics — which are usually deplorable!

Competition Needed

I am not a member of JBS and have no intention of joining it. Contrary to the innuendo of a local wag in the press, Robert Welch is no idol of mine. But the immortal Voltaire was. He is reported to have said, in the spirit of fair play, this gem:

"Think for yourself and let others enjoy the privilege to do so, too."

With the single exception of genuine traitors who masquerade as citizens of our Republic, I buy that 100 per cent, along with the right to express what one thinks.

This writer is an honest conservative in ideology now and in the past — but never once in my career have I suggested that the liberal elements of our nation not be heard. Upon occasion, I have defended them.

Competition in ideas should be welcome to all of us. Let's take the best from

all sides at difference and make a superior product!

We need more construction, less destruction.

In the case of the John Birch Society, let's insist that its critics know what they are telling us.

Let them cite chapter and verse of the purported wrongs.

Let them tell us if their charges are based on hearsay or first-hand evidence.

'Don't Be Fooled!'

Joe Doakes must not permit himself to be fooled by cunning hatchet-men with selfish axes to grind. Demand the facts!

Having heard the hateful charge that JBS is a fascist organization, recently I requested permission to attend a regular session of a chapter in session. What was it like?

The meeting was opened with prayer, the pledge of allegiance to the Republic and singing of the Star-Spangled Banner. Speeches supporting the American free enterprise system were heard. The Americans for Democratic Action and and British Fabian Socialists — ideological blood brothers, or Marxian hands-across-the-sea! — were denounced. The pros and cons of controversial legislative issues were aired by the membership. Patriotic books were recommended. Writing to members of Congress was urged. Actually, an educational study club composed mainly of neighbors.

This is fascism?

Altogether I have observed three meetings in the Burbank, South Pasadena and Wilshire areas of Los Angeles County.

Against Fabians

My conclusions reported to my readers have come after an on-the-spot survey.

I was there, Charlie.

How many critics of JBS can say the same? Why the savage attacks? What are they, in reality, shooting at?

My own educated guess is that JBS is being smeared not because the innocent members are against communism of the Bolshevik variety from the Soviet Union—but actually because of their fierce patriotic resistance against the ADA and its Fabian Socialist principles here in the United States.

The ideological tenets of the Fabians do not emanate from the founding fathers at Philadelphia. But what of Karl Marx?

How explain the outstanding voting records of two local JBS Congressmen — Edgar W. Hiestand and John H. Rousselot — who both received scores of 100 per cent on the conservative Americans for Constitutional Action (ACA) index?

Do we judge these men by hate-mongering and hysterical charges against them by emotional rabble-rousers, or by the record?

Let's remember the down-to-earth Biblical quotation: "By their works ye shall know them!"

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Pair on Platform

Birch Chief Played

TAUNTON, Mass., Feb. 19 (AP) —With founder Robert Welch of the John Birch Society sitting on the platform only a few feet away, George C. Lodge, former assistant secretary of labor for international affairs, told a brotherhood meeting yesterday:

"He, who in the name of anti-communism, plays on the fears or doubts of people and who questions American leaders whose proof of integrity is beyond a doubt, is not worthy to be on a platform of brotherhood."

Lodge's comment was an apparent reference to Welch, who has accused former President Eisenhower, among others, of being a conscious tool of the Communist conspiracy.

NO COMMENT

Welch declined comment on Lodge's statement.

Earlier Welch told the meeting the Birch Society is "a militant form of Americanism as opposed to the passive form that most Americans display."

"What we need," he said, "is less government, more responsibility and a better world."

Welch asserted that "three per cent of the Communists in the United States are imposing their views on 97 per cent of the people. The John Birch Society takes everything the Communists throw at them and tosses it aside."

Lodge, a candidate for the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate, was one of four persons awarded Brotherhood Scrolls. The others were Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy, House Speaker John W. McCormack, D-Mass., and Angier Biddle Duke, state department protocol chief. Only Lodge was present.

PHONE MESSAGE

Speaker McCormack, by telephone from Washington, warned against "the opportunist who, under the guise of serving America, would abridge our civil rights, our liberties and privileges."

"All too frequently," he said, "the Communists have undermined a nation by pitting one group against another, one religion against another, spreading confusion, terror and doubt in the minds of people."

Rabbi Baruch Korff said Welch was invited because of a desire to bring together all aspects of brotherhood from ultra conservative to ultra liberal.

The brotherhood meeting was sponsored by Catholic, Protestant, Jewish and civic groups in the Taunton area.

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Complainant would not discuss matter at length on phone, but said he does maintenance work for subject at his gun shop and is disturbed by some of subject's activities, such as storing about 75 reloading tools of considerable value for several months for no apparent purpose, purchasing of rifles for John Birch Society (allegedly).

He would not discuss matter further but said he would come into the FBI Office sometime after noon tomorrow to furnish details. He said in view of things going on recently, such as bombings, etc., he thought he should furnish info to FBI.

He called from [redacted] but said he was at this phone temporarily. 100-59001, -590

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Interview complainant to determine what info he has

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Alert complainant clerk

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-)

DATE: 2/15/62

FROM : IC []

SUBJECT: []

INFO CONCERNING

[] personally visited the Los Angeles Office today and was interviewed by IC [] furnished his residence address as [] Cudahy, California, and his telephone number as []

[] advised that he is employed as a maintenance man by Crystal Maintenance Company, Hollywood, California. This agency contracts with companies in the Los Angeles area for janitorial purposes. [] in this capacity, performs janitorial duties at the Hollywood Gun Shop, [] Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, California.

According to [] has no connection with the Hollywood Gun Shop. [] has been told, however, in conversations had with employees at the Gun Shop, that [] purchased two months ago approximately \$6000 to \$7000 worth of reloading equipment consisting of about 150 tools. This equipment has never been removed from the Shop but has been stored in the machine shop at the establishment. [] is of the impression that [] has additionally purchased several rifles which are allegedly to be used by members of the John Birch Society. [] advised that he has no knowledge that [] has made purchases of gun powder.

[] could furnish no additional information in this regard except the following brief description for [] whom he has never seen:

Race
Sex
Age
Residence

White
Male
31-32 years
[] Highland Avenue,
[], California
(not verified)

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Method of delivery (check)
☐ in person ☐ by telephone ☒ by mail ☐ orally ☐ recording device ☐ written by Informant

If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:

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Transcribed _____
Authenticated
by Informant _____

Date of Report

Date(s) of activity

Brief description of activity or material

*Interrogation of [Redacted] on 2/14/62 of [Redacted]
[Redacted] re: Anti-Communist
[Redacted]*

File where original is located if not attached

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[redacted]
Los Angeles 15, Calif.
Feb. 14, 1962

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Dear [redacted]

This letter is in confirmation of our telephone conversation of a day or so ago.

I talked with [redacted] who informed me that your organization had its program and he wanted to sell me a blue book. I have seen the book, and frankly my opinion is that you are staggering around and might as well get into something effective, but right now are not worrying the masses too much.

I am one of two men who worked into their planning section and lived to tell about it. This is some four levels below anything I have ever heard anybody talk about. Fighting what the real commies call the "fools or chumps", gets no place. Admitted commies are only red herrings. I am interested in the brains, money and organization behind them.

In 2 1/2 hours, I will tell you things you have never heard. I'll spend not more than 10 minutes talking about the commies Dr. Swartz is having so much fun chasing, and to the commies amusement too. What I will cover is:

1. How much the commies have cost us, are costing us and will cost us in money if not stopped.
2. I'll explain the commie set up from the Bottom Four upward.
3. I can give details of the planned revolution. Intelligence estimates are 25,000 casualties in the fighting in California alone in this revolution. I help plan it so know something about it.
4. I'll show just why it is that Russia must annex North America.
5. I'll tell how the commies recruit the very nicest people to do their dirty work, that is the real work.
6. I'll tell who the commies recruit to run for office and how they control them and trick the American people into a voting for them.
7. I'll show how, the communist led, crackpot, idealistic, liberal dreamers in high offices of our government are busy trying to reduce the military potential of Free Europe by 75% or more and to reduce our potential by 50% or more; and to raise Russia's potential while doing it.
8. I'll show why all these anti-commie programs are doomed to failure before they start.
9. Finally, I'll show the only program that can succeed and show why it is the only one. It is the program the commies are using, but are using to destroy us.

I have covered parts of this program in lectures and have addressed some 10,000 people from Wisconsin West and South. I am quite sure nobody will be bored during my 2 1/2 hours.

Very truly yours

Note: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Subject's name and aliases			Address of subject			Character of case SM- Misc			
Complainant [Redacted] Fullerton, Calif.			Complainant's address and telephone number			Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 2/23/62 Time 10:10A			
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace			
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion				
	Scars, marks or other data								

Facts of complaint Complaint advised that he is employed at Autonetics, Anaheim, Calif., and that he is a member of the John Birch Society. He said he would like to know whether he did the right thing by joining. He was informed that the FBI could make no recommendation in this regard and that by order of the Atty Gen. our files are confidential - and that from that he is not to conclude anything one way or the other concerning the FBI attitude re the John Birch Society. [Redacted] said that he is aware that the Birch Society is not on the AG list, and that he listed his membership in the Birch society in his application for security clearance and was granted the clearance.

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An Essay Contest for the American Undergraduate

Subject: A Book Review of Rosalie Gordon's **NINE MEN AGAINST AMERICA**

Prizes: First prize, \$1,000.00 Second prize, \$500.00

Third prize, \$300.00 Fourth prize, \$200.00

Five more prizes, each \$100.00

Eligibility: Any undergraduate enrolled in any American college during the spring term of 1962.

Deadlines: Manuscripts must be mailed to the address given below, postmarked no later than June 9, 1962. Winners will be announced by us, and the prizes awarded, in September, 1962.

Conditions: All manuscripts must be typed. They must not exceed three thousand words in length. The decision of our judges will be final. All manuscripts submitted become our property. None will be returned, and we cannot enter into any correspondence concerning them. Those which are awarded prizes will remain our property, for such publication as we may determine. Literary property rights in those which we do not award prizes will revert to the authors, who may then use their own copies to submit elsewhere for publication if desired.

Committee Of Judges: This committee will consist of the outstanding American citizens listed below. They have been chosen because of their excellent qualifications for the task. Organizations with which they are connected are mentioned for identification purposes only. Each member of the committee is serving as an individual, without any remuneration, as a patriotic duty. They are:

Thomas J. Anderson, Editor and Publisher of **FARM and RANCH**.

Hon. J. Bracken Lee, Mayor of Salt Lake City, former Governor of Utah.

Robert H. Montgomery, prominent Boston attorney, author of **Sacco-Vanzetti, The Murder and the Myth**.

Hon. M. T. Phelps, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Arizona.

Dr. Charles Callan Tansill, Professor of American History, author of **Back Door To War**, and many other books and articles.

Submission of a manuscript by any contestant will constitute acceptance of all terms and conditions of this contest. During the life of the contest additional copies of this announcement will be supplied free on request to any college paper, or any enquiry that we consider a bona fide request for information. Address such enquiries, and send all manuscripts to

THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

Belmont 78, Massachusetts

References Which May Be Helpful

Gordon: **Nine Men Against America** (Paperbound, \$1.00 from American Opinion, Belmont 78, Massachusetts; hard-bound, \$3.00, from the Devin-Adair Co., 23 East 26th Street, New York 10, New York.) Or should be readily available in any college library.

The Dan Smoot Report, issues of January 30 and February 6, 1961. (P.O. Box 9611, Lakewood Station, Dallas 14, Texas. Per copy for each issue, 25c; 6 copies for \$1.00.)

SPX Research Associates: **The Supreme Court As An Instrument Of Global Conquest**. (Seven copies for \$1.00 from Educational Information, Inc., P. O. Box 2037, Fullerton, California.)

For more complete bibliography of reference materials, see the Supplement to the February 1961 Bulletin of The John Birch Society, Belmont 78, Massachusetts. (Five copies for \$1.00)

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-33973) DATE: 1/23/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: COMINFIL FIRST UNITARIAN
CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES
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[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Unitarian Forum, HARRY BRIDGES, speaker, 12/8/61.	12/21/61	writer	[REDACTED]
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Informant furnished the following written report:

"HARRY BRIDGES, Unitarian Forum, Los Angeles, Calif.
Dec. 8, 1961

"Attendance: Full house, including balcony.
"Donation: \$1.00

I'm [REDACTED] your chairman and
I'd like to introduce your minister, [REDACTED].

cc: 1 - San Francisco (HARRY BRIDGES) - REGISTERED

[REDACTED] - PSI)
100-33995 [REDACTED]
100-24642 [REDACTED]
100-5686 (FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,
LOS ANGELES)
100-26045 (DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION)
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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 1/25/62

FROM : SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	December monthly 1/4/62 meeting of Valley Chapter of WLA, held 12/14/61		Writer	[redacted]

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Informant furnished the following quoted report:

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100-61749 [redacted]
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100-57100 [redacted]
100-39187 [redacted]
100-29975 [redacted]
100-55890 (SANE) [redacted]
100-61354 [redacted]
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY) [redacted]
100-46782 [redacted]
92-733 [redacted]
100-47307 [redacted]
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100-47309 (FRIENDS COMMITTEE)
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100-57128 [redacted]
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"Sherman Oaks, Calif.
Jan 4, 1962

"I attended the regular monthly meeting of the Valley Chapter of the WLA which was held at the Valley Colonial House, 4810 Whitsett, North Hollywood, California, Thur., Dec. 14, 1961.

"The meeting was handled by [redacted] Vice President, since [redacted] was unable to arrive until later in the afternoon. The morning session was devoted to reports given by [redacted] on the topic of Freedom of Speech. One of the things they discussed was the John Birch Society. b6 b7C

"They consider them to be as bad as the Ku Klux Klan.

"Then after lunch was served [redacted] introduced the main speaker for the afternoon radio & TV announcer PAT [redacted] explained that PHILIP KERBY, editor of 'Frontier' magazine who was to be the main speaker was unable to come as he had sprained his back in an accident. It was pointed out that [redacted] had been called at 10 o'clock in the evening in order to fill in for KERBY. [redacted] indicated that he was pleased to fill in at the last moment adding that he would speak to them or any other similar groups at any time. His topic was concerning lack of freedom in radio & TV. He said that he himself almost lost his announcing job as the result of a series he did concerning alleged communism at Lake Elsinore. Other individuals he mentioned whose programs he feels have been censored included BILL STOUT & CHET HUNTLEY.

"He said also for an example of censorship on the air was the scheduled five day series on treatment of juveniles & the filth in the Los Angeles jail which was stopped in two days by [redacted] & complaining at the time she was sponsoring an art show and he threatened to remove support from her activity unless she took action to have the jail series taken off the air.

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[] also indicated he is upset with the Birch Society. He said that they are powerful moneyed men such as doctors, lawyers, bankers, etc. He feels that the Birchers have so much power that they can say & get away with anything they want on the air.

[] both got up to tell of their experiences with neighbors in their respective neighborhoods. They said that they had discussed the John Birch Society with their neighbors stating their disapproval of the Society whereupon the neighbors who evidently were in sympathy with the Birchers have stopped having anything to do with either []

"At this meeting, PAT MICHAELS announced that he will be a candidate for election to congress against congressman EDGAR HEISTAND. He had with him a [] who is to be his campaign manager who also got up and spoke briefly stating he feels MICHAELS would make a fine Congressman. [] also feels [] will easily defeat HEISTAND.

"During the afternoon [] arrived. [] had another appointment & had to leave early but [] stayed & talked to the group. He said the campaign headquarters would be opened at 15442 Victory Blvd., Van Nuys, Calif. He solicited any of the WLA members who would care to work in the campaign office or donate money to the campaign. [] then got up to explain that WLA is non-partisan group so could not participate in his campaign as a group but that if any of the members wished to help out as individuals that they should feel free to do so.

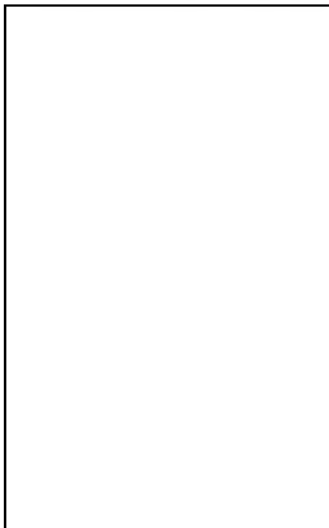
"It was announced that [] had made a record regarding the current national movement toward peace. Orders for this record would be taken by WLA at \$1.00 each.

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"The last thing on the program was the raffle which was for a 1 yr. subscription to the Friends Committee Washington Newsletter which regularly costs \$5.00 a year. This was won by [redacted] [redacted] helped the hospitality committee at this meeting.

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"Those in attendance were:



In addition informant furnished the following literature on 1/4/62 which she obtained as a direct result of her membership in the Valley Chapter of the WLA.

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Announcement of WLA Valley Chapter Executive Board meeting scheduled for 1/4/62 (the meeting reported on above), location

December 4 issue of the Valley Chapter WLA bulletin, vol. VII, #4, Page 2, of this bulletin contains a summary by ILSE WOLFSON of material presented by the panelists at the 11/16/61, WLA meeting on the topic "Another Look at the German - Berlin Question." According to the bulletin panelists whose observations are included in this summary include MARY KATZ, SUSAN SHEPARD, ZARA BIGELMAN.

Page 3 of this bulletin contains a report by ELIE SOMERFIELD of a speech on "Civil Rights" given by Mr. NATHAN SCHOICHT to the 11/16/61 Valley Chapter of WLA meeting.

Page four and five contain the legislative report by GUSSIE SITKIN. Page six contains a report by SYLVIA ROSENBERG concerning a talk by Dr. ISADORE ZIFERSTEIN to the October membership of the WLA. Also on page six there is a listing of 26 new members who have joined the WLA (these names will be indexed to serial). At the bottom of page six there is a request that members having special announcements concerning other organizations which are thought to be of interest to WLA members would please clear such announcements with either BLANCHE MILLER or GUSSIE SITKIN prior to making such announcements at a WLA meeting.

Page seven notes the calendar of coming events and it is noted that on Thursday, 12/21/61 an interim panel meeting also to all members was to be held at 8:15 p.m. in the home of ESTELLE NICHAMIN, 12612 Killiom, North Hollywood. This page also contains a report by AMELIA SLUYTER concerning a meeting of the San Fernando Valley Consumer Information Conference held 11/10/61 at the Valley Colonial House featuring a speech by Attorney CHARLES JAMES.

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It is noted that the chairman of the conference was HELEN EWING NELSON. The back page of the bulletin contains an advance announcement concerning an event to feature RENA WAXMAN on 2/17/62, location [redacted]

Informant also furnished material which she received through the mail bearing the return address of the Los Angeles Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy, 910 S. Robertson Blvd., Los Angeles 35, Calif. This included a blank petition to the Board indicating "Our most sincere approval" in joining with the Board in the peace race, a one page mimeographed leaflet concerning a mass rally in front of the Palladium to be held Saturday morning, 11/18/61, and a one page leaflet titled SANE action, location [redacted]

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The following names are being indexed to this report:

[redacted]

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning this report and could furnish no additional information except to advise she has previously referred to [redacted] [redacted] They are one and the same.

It is recommended that an index card be prepared to indicate that [redacted] is an aka of [redacted]. Informant also orally advised that she heard [redacted] referred to by one of the members (name not recalled) as [redacted]. It is therefore also recommended that an index card be prepared showing [redacted] as an aka of [redacted]. Since [redacted] is indicated as being a current active member of the Valley Chapter of WLA it is further recommended that a 100-DEAD file be opened on her.

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Informant contracted the flu while attending this meeting. She was under doctor's care and confined to her home until 1/4/62, when the writer was first able to contact her. She was unable to furnish her report concerning the meeting earlier due to her illness.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning this memo and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 2/6/62

FROM: SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Monthly meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA, held 1/25/62 at 4810 Whitsett, North Hollywood, Calif., and literature.	1/30/62	Writer	[redacted] (WR) See below re literature.

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Informant furnished the following handwritten report and literature:

cc: [redacted]

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100-39615 [redacted]
100-25859 [redacted]
100-61745 (WSFP)
100-37816 [redacted]
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-58247 [redacted]
100-Dead [redacted]
100-54828 [redacted]
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100-24717

100-61354

100-61749

157-9

92-733

116-52478

100-5589 (NAACP)

100-54344

100-47309 (ECNL)

100-29975

100-29978

100-61934

100-19333 (COMINFIL RADIO-TV)

"Sherman Oaks, Calif.

1/30/62

"I attended the regular monthly meeting of the Valley Chapter of W.L.A. which was held at the Valley Colonial House, 4810 Whitsett, North Hollywood, Calif. on Jan. 25, 1962. The morning was devoted to two panel discussions. One on civil defense by [redacted] and the other by [redacted] titled 'Is Criticism of our Textbooks Valid?'

[redacted] read from various articles about civil defense. She answered questions from the floor, most of which were about fallout shelters & fallout.

"During this discussion [redacted] said she understood that the Womens Strike For Peace intends to charter an airplane in order that women can fly back to Washington to consult with President and Mrs. KENNEDY and then go on to Russia to see Mr. & Mrs. KHRUSHCHEV to urge for Peace.

[redacted] mentioned that her husband teaches and so she is very much interested in the school text book problem. She said that she and her husband had attended a meeting which was held in Woodland Hills to discuss text books & the meeting was packed with people who called themselves the Liberty Torch Bearers but who she

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described as being 'Birchers.' She said she asked many of her friends to attend this meeting with her but only succeeded in getting one woman to go with her. She said that of the list of books suggested for school use they are quite sure that at least 117 will be kept. She indicated she has been attending all of the hearing about the text books. She said the 'Birchers' read a few passages in a text book and immediately jump to the conclusion that the book is subversive and want it removed from the list. She suggested that we all take advantage of the chance to review these books ourselves at the various branch libraries throughout the city.

[redacted] said at this meeting that the Womens Strike for Peace is gaining new members in all of the states and is getting bigger all of the time.

"After the panel discussions we had lunch.

"Before lunch [redacted] spoke briefly on the proposed changes in the W.L.A. by laws.

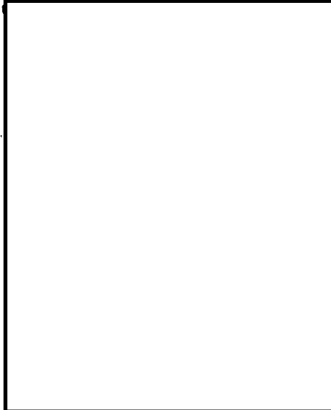
"An announcement was made that the W.L.A. council will hold a special meeting on 2/21/62 at the Highland House in Los Angeles and have various outside speakers including [redacted]. The topic of this meeting will be analysis for Freedom. We were all urged to attend this meeting. The guest speaker for the afternoon was attorney [redacted] former congressman from the 25-congressional District. His topic was 'How can we Strengthen the U.N. in the face of mounting World Tensions?'

"He said it is necessary for us as a nation to trust the other countries and be friendly with all nations. He said the Russians don't want war anymore than we do but all the build-up arms is because we are afraid of each other. He feels that to make world wide peace the United States should give more money to the smaller countries in order that they can build up their own economy rather than spending the money for foreign military aid.

"When he was first introduced [redacted] said that he felt the W.L.A. was one of the most wonderful groups of women he had ever come in contact with. He said he knew of our other Chapters in L.A. and wished that are additional Chapter could be formed in his own city. He spent a great deal of his time telling how he intends to campaign against congressman ROUSELLOT, who he described as a 'Bircher.'



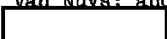
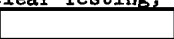

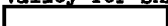
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"Those in attendance:



come as she has started to work as a secretary in a Real Estate office."

Informant furnished the following literature which she orally advised was made available to individuals attending the above meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA on 1/25/62:

1. Leaflet regarding Help Establish Lasting Peace (aka HELP), 951 North La Cienega Boulevard, Los Angeles 69, California. (Location: )
2. Special announcement of future events, including lecture by  News Analyst, on "World Affairs," 2/1/62 at Millikan Junior High School, Van Nuys; and SANE meeting of 2/16/62 at same school. (Location: )
3. Bibliography on Nuclear Testing, Fallout and Radiation issued by SANE. (Location: )
4. One page mimeographed sheet of arguments for and against fallout shelters prepared by the Valley Chapter of WLA. (Location: )
5. Four-page leaflet titled, "Daily Action for Peace Program, February, 1962," issued by the Valley for SANE, P.O. Box 391, Encino, California. (Location: )

Informant advised orally that the following items she furnished were received by her through the mail at her home as a result of her membership in the Valley Chapter of WLA:

6. Postal card announcing meeting of the Valley Chapter Executive Board meeting of WLA, 1/30/62 at the home of [redacted] Studio City. (Location: [redacted])

7. January, 1962, issue of the Bulletin of the Valley Chapter of WLA, Volume VII, Number 5. Page 1 of which announces the program for the above described 1/25/62 meeting. Page 2 contains statements made by [redacted] at the December WLA meeting setting out their respective views on "Freedom of Speech." It is noted that [redacted] does not think the American Nazi Party should be granted freedom of speech.

Page 3 contains a report by [redacted] of the speech given by [redacted] radio news commentator, to WLA. This page and page 5 also contain the proposed amendments to the WLA Constitution. Page 4 has statements regarding civil liberties, including material from [redacted] president of the Valley Branch of the NAACP. Page 6 has the calendar of WLA events for the period 1/18-2/17/62. Page 7 contains the statement of [redacted] president of the WLA Council, to the State Senate Fact-Finding Committee hearing on 12/1/61 and to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting of 12/12/61. Page 8 is an announcement of the fund-raising affair, "An Evening of Laughter with [redacted]" to be held 2/17/62. Page 9 is the "Legislative Report for Action," [redacted] (Location: [redacted])

8. Numbers 218, 219 and 220 of the "FCNL Washington Newsletter," issued by the Friends Committee on National Legislation, Washington, D.C., during the period November, 1961 to January, 1962. (Location: [redacted])

9. November 9, 1961 and January, 1961, issues of the "California FCL Action," and December, 1961, "California Newsletter of the Friends Committee on Legislation," Vol. IX, No. 8. (Location: [redacted])

10. "The Story of the 1961 California Legislature" report of the Friends Committee on Legislation. (Location: [redacted])

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It is recommended that 100-Dead files be opened on [redacted] all of whom [redacted] [redacted] has indicated are now actively participating in functions of the WLA.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning this report and could furnish no addition information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 2/8/62
FROM: SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN
SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)
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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Executive Board Meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] 1/30/62, and literature furnished.	2/5/62	Writer	[redacted] (WR) See below re literature

Informant furnished the following handwritten report
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"Sherman Oaks, Calif.
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"I attended the executive board meeting of the Valley Chapter of W.L.A. which was held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] Studio City on Tue., Jan. 30th, 1962.

"The treasurers report indicated that we now have \$397.00. It was also said that [redacted] is believed to have some additional money to turn in but as recently fell and broke her arm she could not be at this board meeting. She was in the hospital for about a week.

[redacted] will be in charge of the annual awards luncheon again this year. She said that it had been decided not to hold the luncheon at the Sportsmans Lodge where it was held last year because there is not enough room. Instead arrangements have been made to hold it on June 16, 1962 at the Coconut Grove of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, Calif. They hope to give awards to [redacted] founder of the Womens Strike for Peace, the editor of the Santa Barbara News paper which recently carried a series of articles against the John Birch Society. They also may possibly give a third award to some congressman but as yet don't feel any congressman has done enough to deserve an award. The luncheon will cost \$5.00 a person this year and tickets will be made available immediately so we will have plenty of time to sell enough to fill the Coconut Grove.

"We discussed a Womens Strike for Peace lobby to be held in Sacramento on the 6th of Feb. Two delegates from the Valley Chapter will have \$25.00 of their expenses paid by the Chapter. It was pointed out that round trip plane fare cost \$44.44 a person. [redacted] was definitely appointed as a Valley Chapter delegate and probably either [redacted] [redacted] will be the other official delegate. Others were urged to go if they wished but the Chapter will only pay for two delegates. [redacted] thought she might go.

"We also discussed the bill before congress which would raise the US postal rates. One of the items in this bill would exclude mail from the iron curtain countries. We were urged to write our Senators asking them to vote to let this Iron Curtain Country mail in the U. S.

"Our next general meeting will be held 2/14/62 and will feature a talk by [redacted] on Foreign trade.

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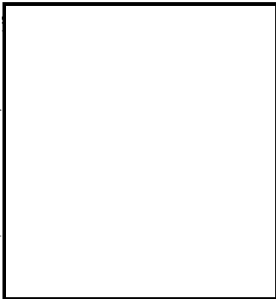
"An announcement was made that the San Fernando Valley Fair Housing Council is holding a meeting on 2/12/62. It was suggested that since [redacted] is already a member of the Burbank Human Relations Council that she would be a good one to attend. She will go if at all possible.

"The printed programs for action issued by the Los Angeles Sane Committee was made available to us last month for distribution to our members. The last one was printed on two sheets. It is not known at this time if the next one will be on one or two sheets. The board decided to have the next issue of the Valley Chapter bulletin include the San programme for action as an insert. We also voted to send Sane \$5.00 to pay them for the copies of their last issue.

"We also discussed a planned tea for new members and their sponsors to be held at the home of [redacted] but no date has been set. [redacted] will handle arrangements for the food for this affair. We also decided that the sponsors of the new members should be responsible for seeing that the new members they sponsored is invited and attends.

[redacted] was suggested as the board member to chair the next general meeting. She however refused saying she had not had enough experience getting up in front of the public to except such a position. They finally was decided that [redacted] would chair the meeting.

"Those who attended the meeting.



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Informant furnished the following information which she received through the mail at her home:

1. "FCNL ACTION", issue #37, for February, 1962, issued by the Friends Committee on National Legislation. (Location: [redacted])

2. Envelope postmarked 2/2/62 at Los Angeles, California, bearing the return address of the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms (CCPAF), which announces a meeting to be held at the Park Manor, 607 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles, on 2/14/62 to welcome home [redacted] after his one year in jail. (Location: [redacted])

3. WLA Action Card, titled, "Stop Further Testing! Action Needed Now!", which bears a tear off section which is to be mailed back to [redacted] to indicate how many letters were written on this matter. (Location: [redacted])

ACTION:

A copy of this memo is being furnished the San Francisco office for its information, as it contains information about the Strike for Peace Lobby to be held in Sacramento on 2/6/62. San Francisco has previously received a copy of the approved thumbnail sketch of the WLA, so none is being furnished at this time.

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WOMEN'S STRIKE FOR PEACE LOBBY, Sacramento,
California

BURBANK HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL

Kuchel Hits Extremists in Fight on Communism

**Calls for Reason and Logic by Right
and Left; Talks at Testimonial Dinner**

BY PAUL BECK

Sen. Kuchel, in a blistering attack on extremists of both the left and right, called Tuesday night for reason and logic in America's fight against communism.

"America must be united at home to meet this crisis," he said. "We need to apply the rule of reason in what we do, what we think, and what we say. We need balance. We require perspective."

The Republican senator, in a speech prepared for delivery at a \$100-a-plate testimonial dinner in his behalf at the Beverly Hilton, was of highly critical of those who would appease our enemies as well as those who smear public servants on charges of being Communist dupes.

Kuchel said there are some persons — "not too many—who, through fear or worse, attack our government and its policies for our security."

Cites Veterans' Parade

He cited a placard proclaiming "Communism Is Better Than Extinction" at a Veterans' Day parade in Alameda County. Of these persons Kuchel declared:

"They have frightfully soiled their American birthright in demonstrating either their fear and cowardice or their willingness to abandon their country."

But, he continued, "there are others amongst us who, though their patriotism may be unquestioned, their judgment certainly is. Some people have completely abandoned reason in what they say and write."

In an obvious reference to the John Birch Society and its founder, Robert Welch, Kuchel said:

"Many honorable men who have devoted long years to the public service have been contemptuously smeared with the false and fantastic charge of being Communists."

Eisenhower Smear

"Perhaps as vicious a falsehood as ever was hurled against a great American patriot occurred when one warped person called (former President) Eisenhower a 'dedicated, conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy.'"

Kuchel said these Americans "grievously undermine" this country's government "when they utter absurd and lurid and unsubstantiated charges against it."

Turning to charges of muzzling of the military and a statement by Democratic Sen. J. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina that Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker was transferred to a different command because of his anti-Communist activities on orders from Moscow, Kuchel said:

"To imply, for example, that Secretary of Defense McNamara treasonably complied with 'orders from Moscow' does a truly terrible disservice to our faith in our country."

Against Partisanship

"I believe it is wise policy that members of our military establishment do not participate in partisan politics. Military commanders have the supreme respon-

sibility of readying their personnel, in all phases of preparation, to defeat the enemy should conflict arise."

The testimonial dinner honored the 51-year-old senator from Anaheim for 25 years of public service to Californians.

Jack L. Warner, president of Warner Bros. and chairman of the dinner, said Kuchel's record deserves the appreciation of all Americans, regardless of party.

Stars from the entertainment world in attendance included Dennis Morgan, Rosalind Russell, Connie Stevens, Jimmy Durante, Efrem Zimbalist Jr., Mary Pickford and Gene Raymond. A number of civic and business leaders and public officials were at the head table. Proceeds will go toward Kuchel's bid for reelection next year.

Eisenhower Letter

Former President Eisenhower, in a letter read at the dinner, said of Kuchel:

"He is devoted to his constituency, to the well-being of our country; and he is an effective fighter against extremism in our political affairs. He is a public servant of courage and one who stands steadfastly by his convictions."

Kuchel said the Soviet strategy to destroy the West "will fail and the Soviet goal will be frustrated" by

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maintaining a superior defense, a mighty nuclear arsenal, multi-lateral collective security agreements, and "of crucial importance," the unity of American people.

He said that even though he does not belong to the same party as President Kennedy, "under our Constitution, every President, during his incumbency, is our Chief Executive."

Room for Disagreement

But Kuchel said that does not mean "that members of Congress should blindly follow the recommendations of the President. It does not mean that the civilian population should be foreclosed from speaking out on issues as they see them."

"It does mean, I think, that we should use the brains God gave us, that we should reason, that our criticism against our government should be constructive. We should not hurl ridiculous charges against any man, simply because we disagree with him. Facts, proof, reason and logic ought to be the guide of all of us."



HONORED AT DINNER—Sen. Kuchel, who was honored at a \$100-a-plate testimonial dinner, is flanked by wife, Betty, and his mother, Mrs. Henry Kuchel.

Times photo

CRA Convention Rules

Text of Resolution On Birch Society

Following is the text of the resolution on the John Birch Society and its founder, Robert Welch, passed by the California Republican Assembly at its convention in Berkeley:

Whereas, Robert Welch has described Dwight Eisenhower as a "dedicated, conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy"; and whereas, he has slandered the actions of former Secretary of State John Foster Dulles in a like manner; and whereas, the legal basis of the John Birch Society is dictatorial and totalitarian as specifically set forth at page 161 in the Blue Book of the Society which contains its tenets and constitution as follows: "The men who join the John Birch Society during the next few months or few years are going to be doing so primarily because they believe in me (Robert Welch) and what I am doing and are willing to accept my leadership . . . Those members who cease to feel the necessary degree of loyalty can either resign or will be out."

And whereas, the California Republican Assembly believes that individual liberty is the heart of our American tradition, and is opposed to demagoguery and dictatorship in any form; and whereas, the California Republican Assembly believes that Robert Welch has rendered immeasurable harm to the cause of individual liberty; and whereas, many dedicated Americans of all political faiths have joined the Birch Society in an earnest and sincere de-

sire to combat communism without realizing or knowing of these precepts as enunciated by Robert Welch:

Now therefore, the California Republican Assembly does hereby condemn Robert Welch, and now, therefore, be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be sent to the Republican National Committee and to the Republican State Central Committee of California, with the recommendation that they take a similar stand.

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Birchers Mean Well, Robert Kennedy Says

WASHINGTON (AP)—Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy said Tuesday the John Birch Society is largely a well-meaning group which could do the country greater good if it devoted its energy to positive strengthening of democracy instead of tilting at domestic Communists.

"In this country the Communists have absolutely no following," Kennedy told a conference of the Advertising Council. The council is an organization of national advertisers and advertising agencies which contributes free advertising space and time to causes in the public interest.

After his address, Kennedy invited questions from the business executives. One of the first was: "How seriously do you evaluate the Communist conspiracy in the United States?"

Kennedy replied that the 8,000 or 10,000 Communists here who take orders from Moscow — compared with the possibly half million who once did — continue to be a threat.

Have No Power

"But I don't think they have any power or following," he said. "If all the effort that is expended on them could be turned to positive causes — strengthening our schools, seeing that American history is taught, strengthening local governments, interesting people in politics and in voting — this energy would do very much more good."

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Estes Rips Rightists

Kefauver in L.A., Calls Vigilante Tactics Wrong

Former Vice Presidential candidate, Sen. Estes Kefauver, D-Tenn., yesterday accused the John Birch Society of using "vigilante methods" to gain its ends.

"The Birchers," he said, "are going about fighting communism in the wrong way. I don't think you can take away the evils leading to communism by using vigilante methods or just by screaming."

The U.S. Senator, who is in Los Angeles to address a Bonds for Israel dinner tonight at the Beverly Hills Hotel, added he doesn't think the Birchers "are doing the country any good."

However, he said he also doesn't believe there are "any more rightists" in America today than there ever were. He said "they are just more vocal and more organized."

Kefauver, a Presidential aspirant in 1952 and a Vice Presidential candidate in 1956, touched on many national issues at a press conference yesterday.

On the subject of continued atomic testing, he said: "I believe President Kennedy made the only decision he could make in regard to atomic testing. He put it up squarely to the Soviet Union. If they are going ahead with preparations for atomic strength we must also go ahead. I only hope that an effective agreement (with Russia) can be reached at Geneva."

On the subject of President Kennedy's defeated contro-

versial Urban Affairs legislation to secure a Cabinet post for Robert Weaver, Kefauver said:

"I voted for it. I think it should have been established. I think it would have saved money."

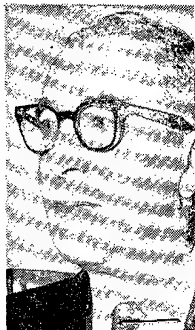
However, the Senator added he felt the proposed legislation had "lost votes" for Kennedy "among Southern congressmen and Senators."

"But I think the Democrats will hold their own this year. I think Kennedy is popular and there is a feeling the country generally is backing him up on his foreign and domestic programs."

On communism, he said: "I think it is less prevalent now than it was ten years ago. There is no big Communist influence in any organized part of our society today. The best way to fight communism is to make our own Democracy succeed."

Kefauver, who has been waging a two-year war to curb prices in the drug industry, said a bill now before Congress calls for further lowering of drug prices, more factual advertising and the end of 17-year monopolies by certain drug concerns.

"I feel," he said, "if we can get the bill passed it will bring down the cost of drugs considerably. There will be safer, purer drugs and we will be able to eliminate misleading advertising and get a lot of harmful and useless drugs off the market."



SEN. ESTES KEFAUVER

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Conservatives Drive Against CRA Liberals

By JUD BAKER
Herald-Examiner Political Editor

BERKELEY, March 3—The John Birch Society, already an open issue at the California Republican Assembly here, faces its first test of strength in a major political party Sunday when convention delegates meet to endorse a 1962 state slate.

Marked by bitter clashes between GOP conservatives and liberals, the final session of the convention may also develop into one of the toughest battles former Vice President Richard M. Nixon, seeking the Republican nomination for governor, has faced since his defeat in the 1960 presidential election.

NIXON EXPLOSION DUE

Although he was given more than a slight edge in the running for assembly approval by virtue of the 34-25 pro-Nixon vote at Thursday's caucus of the Candidates and Fact-Finding Committee, the militant stand taken by the GOP national standard bearer against Birchism within the party is expected to explode on the floor of the convention in bitter recriminations.

This stand, voiced in the hearing of several key assembly members at a private breakfast meeting Thursday, startled die-hard conservatives when Nixon bluntly proposed that Birchers be ridden out of the party.

The fact that he suggested such move be conditional on whether Robert Welch, millionaire Boston candy manufacturer, remains as the "totalitarian" head of the society, did not ease the shock on the sensibilities of conservative elements of the assembly.

SHELL LAUNCHES ASSAULT

Taking advantage of the growing split between conservatives and liberals, Assemblyman Joseph C. Shell, Nixon's strongest opponent for party preference in the governor's race, today launched an all-out assault against the former Vice President.

Shell and State Sen. John F. McCarthy of San Rafael, who seeks to be his running mate as candidate for lieutenant governor, serenaded the CRA convention in old-time political style with a barrage of circulars distributed by pretty girls in costume and a Dixieland jazzband.

The far-to-the-right forces and the liberal segment spokesmen continued their running battle through the day, with U.S. Senator Thomas Kuchel

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and Los Angeles attorney Lloyd Wright taking the spotlight as they slugged it out.

Attacked by both Wright and Los Angeles financier Howard Jarvis, former president of the CRA here, Kuchel defended his voting record in the Senate at a luncheon session which highlighted today's convention program.

He voiced support of President Kennedy's proposal that the United States buy \$100 million in United Nations bonds and said that such action would help ease our heavy defense spending.

He also told the 1000 persons at the luncheon that he will continue to support Federal financial aid to education, although he will strongly oppose "Federal control of local schools."

A standing ovation was somewhat soured by boos from the conservatives, who made it plain they liked the far-to-the-right stand of his opponent, Wright, in the upcoming primary fight for GOP nomination.

Jarvis and Wright, though rivals for Kuchel's Senate seat, teamed up to publicly deplore the incumbent's liberalism. Wright focused on what he called Kuchel's favorable attitude toward the Kennedy Administration's bill for a Department of Urban Affairs, which he called "another example of the desire of welfare staters to run our local affairs from Washington."

"Our California League of Cities went on record as opposed to this deal, but Senator Kuchel looks with favor upon this New Frontier Trojan Horse," he added.

Jarvis pummeled Kuchel on his alleged support of the Kennedy Administration's position and policies in the Congo.

At a later news conference, Kuchel said that he was going all the way with Nixon in his stand on the Birch group, adding:

"I have said repeatedly that anyone who follows the tenets of the John Birch Society is not qualified for public office."

With the Senate aspirants reflecting temper of ultra-conservatives and liberals, Shell and other GOP leaders continued to call attention to what they referred to as Nixon's rebuff of the CRA when he declared he would not seek the endorsement of the 12,000-member volunteer party organization.

CRA President G. Harvey Mydland joined Shell in expressing amazement over the rebuff. Nixon continued to pour oil on the fire by coming back with the public announcement that he would not support any nominee who is a member of the John Birch Society, specifically naming Congressmen Edgar Hiestand and John Rousselot.

Conservatives started a peace move between Wright

and Jarvis today, hoping to get the financier to withdraw and give a clear field to the Los Angeles attorney in his bid for CRA senate endorsement. Until a late hour last night Jarvis refused to withdraw.

Whether such withdrawal will help Wright is problematical as Kuchel already has been approved in caucus for floor endorsement by a vote of 39 to 9 for Wright and 4 for Jarvis.

Other developments included the endorsement of State Sen. Richard J. Dolwig of Redwood City for attorney general over Los Gatos Assemblyman Bruce Allen in early floor voting. Pasadena Assemblyman Bruce Reagan, a so-called non-aggressive conservative, won endorsement for state controller without opposition.

The Candidates and Fact Finding Committee has okayed San Francisco's Mayor George Christopher for lieutenant-governor and Frank Jordan for re-election as secretary of state.

The CRA delegates, who represent some 12,000 GOP party workers throughout the state, will wind up the convention tomorrow by voting endorsements for U.S. Senator, Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

With tonight's floor vote for Dolwig running 216 for and 207 against endorsement, close roll calls at the final session are expected to emphasize the split down the middle between the rightists and the liberal-moderate bloc.

Young GOP Surprise

Nixon Attacked For Birch Stand

Richard M. Nixon, would-be GOP standard bearer in California's gubernatorial race, has been formally rapped by County Young Republican for his verbal attack on the John Birch Society.

The surprise move came last night in a resolution offered the YRs by Joe Newnham of Antelope Valley.

A standing vote approved the measure citing Nixon for what Newnham called "a recent attack on Republicans for being members of some patriotic organizations."

Nixon, former Vice President, spoke before the volunteer California Republican Assembly convention last weekend in Berkeley.

ASKED REPUDIATION

He called upon his party to repudiate the John Birch Society and its leader, Robert Welch.

Newnham's resolution charged that Nixon's attacks are "not conducive to party unity."

It was noted that Rep. Edgar Hiestand, R-Alhambra, and Rep. John Russelot, R-San Gabriel, are Republican incumbents seeking re-election this year. Both are members of the John Birch Society, an organization pledged to wage an educational war against communism.

Newnham, through his resolution, urged that "all candidates refrain from any statements that damage party unity or reflect upon unopposed party candidates."

The Young Republicans' action came after two conservative candidates for U.S. sena-

tor assailed Republican Sen. Thomas Kuchel at the YR's meeting in the Ambassador Hotel.

Howard Jarvis, a Los Angeles businessman, said Kuchel "wears the Republican label, but by his voting record is a Democrat and a liberal Democrat at that."

Atty. Lloyd Wright charged that Kuchel has voted 80 percent of the time with Clair Engle, D-Calif., and "has doubtless crossed the party" on important labor legislation.

Jarvis stressed the need for "definable conservative Republican candidates."

For himself, Jarvis declared: "I'm to the right of Sen. Barry Goldwater."

Goldwater, a Republican of Arizona, is nominal head of the GOP's conservative element.

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(Their constitution prohibits lack of knowledge of state units from taking sides in issues, such as taxes and natio-
gubernatorial primary fights, he said.)

Jack Corteway, president of the 200-member Downtown Young Republican Club, backed Keaton, and said the censure was an "unwarranted attack" on Nixon.

ANOTHER VIEW

otics." Added Shell:

"We should stick to issues rather than going off into the limbo of paper tigers." Shell, a conservative, told a news conference the "middle of the road is 75 percent socialism." Asked whether he

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"Attendance: approx. 75% full
Donation: \$1.00

"Chairman [REDACTED]

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"Due to the rainy night we are a little late getting started so without any further delay I would like to introduce a great Army General who has spent 34 years, part of that time on General MC ARTHURS' staff...he will speak on 'A World without War'...General HUGH HESTER.. (applause)

"HESTER:

"I will start by telling a little story about a farm boy who was supposed to deliver a big load of hay... the farmer had told him not to be surprised if he only saw one cow in the pasture...so the boy said he wasn't going to unload the whole load for just one cow...and that's the way it is tonight...after looking at your literature table, I can see that this audience is much better informed than the usual audience I address, so I'm not going to unload the whole load. (laughter)...

"One of our biggest problems today is lack of communications...we don't get the facts in the newspapers and especially is this true here in Los Angeles... (laughter) ...but there are a number of small papers across the country that really do a good job, although most of them have a tough time making a go of it financially...they do not have big business behind them...and the cold war goes on... it's the cold war that's put us where we are today...

"D. L. FLEMING of Vanderbilt has written the best material on this subject, in two volumes but they are expensive...what you all should do is make sure that copies are in all your libraries...they should be in every college and high school library and probably will be before long...it's called the 'Cold War and its Origins', published by Doubleday...

"Another excellent book is by Prof. JOSEPH P. MORRIE (sp.) of the University of California..his book is 'Yalta to Disarmament' and covers events from W.W. II up to the present...this book is published by Monthly Review.

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"Very few people understand the real story of China but if you will read Prof. WHITING's book, he's with Rand Corp. his book gives real facts and is called 'China Crosses the Yalu'...

"FELIX GREENS' 'China Awakened' which he wrote up in Palo Alto, is also very good. These books will fill you in on the China story and the cold war and I don't hesitate to recommend volumes for you folks because I can see that you are the folks who are really concerned with peace and are doing something about it, which is most commendable...

"The small papers that do an outstanding job, and which no doubt many of you are already reading are the Nation, the National Guardian (applause), the Progressive and fro, nearby Arcadia, the Churchman, that gives you both spiritual and informational news...I can't over estimate the importance of communications because we must remember that the Russians are people just like ourselves... they are not our enemies, but only our opponents...the real enemy is the split atom that has resulted in producing a weapon that man cannot control...the bomb is neutral...it will exterminate Americans, Russians, Czechs, Poles, Chinese ...every living person on earth is a target...no longer are we able to conduct traditional wars...

"So, the enemy of all civilization is the bomb, and the people of different countries are only our opponents ...the Russians have their families, their homes and their jobs, just as we do...they are the same kind of human beings that we are but there is so much propaganda full of lies trying to make us feel that we should hate the Russians and consider them to be monsters...of course, I'll have to admit that the Russians are told the same things about hating Americans... and this is the problem and why communications are so vitally important...to promote a better understanding... to espouse trust and confidence...in order that agreements can be made toward disarming all countries of the world before we are blown to bits...

"Which brings us to the sovereign state that is amoral---not immoral, but amoral...a situation where the king can do no wrong...it's been that way ever since the pilgrims first came to America...as if the king is still with us and still prevails...the sovereign state must be changed or modified...reminds me that NATHAN HALE said he regretted that he had but one life to give for his country...well, the present government and the military seem to be trying to give as many lives as possible.... there are so many lies being told in the government...I've talked to so many people in Washington who tell me that it has been necessary so many times to tell lies...for example, take the U-2 incident...the government told us that we were not spying on the Russians but after the U-2, they had to admit it which left them in a most embarrassing position... Cuba is another vivid example...this sort of thing goes on all the time...so you can see that the sovereign state is amoral and so is no good. DULLES told more lies during his 8 years than anyone ever did.

"The real monster today is the thermo-nuclear weapon which we simply cannot allow to be used for our destruction...for peace time use, yes...(applause) but twice already, the atom bomb has been used for the destruction of the human race...I was on General MC ARTHURS' staff at the time of the Japanese bombing...which was done after the Japanese had surrendered...there was no excuse for doing it... but afterwards, MC ARTHUR said that war is now outmoded... that we have created a Frankenstein..no longer is it possible to conduct war with conventional weapons...General EISENHOWER has also stated that war is now out of the question..that we should all strive for peace and understanding how unthinkable nuclear war is...

"Another distinguished General who has had more men under his command during land action, CHAR BRADLEY, and certainly he too realizes the conditions and risks of war... he said that wars can be prevented as surely as they can be provoked...in spite of Dr. LIBBY's writings about shelters... and he had to leave his when there was a little fire and I

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"say little in comparison to the fire-storms of nuclear blasts..the only thing a shelter can do for you is to save the undertaker the trouble of burying you..."

"The great C. P. SNOW has written 'Either-Or' and this book really tells the story that leaves you with no doubt at all...he generously gives us about 10 more years but I don't believe we have that long...simply because of the danger of bombs going off accidentally if not by design... WINSTON CHURCHILL said that there is a deterrent of terror but I say that there's no deterrent of error...but then Mr. CHURCHILL was a stringer of words and nothing more... (laughter)

"As I see it, there are 3 ways that the monstrous nuclear bomb can destroy us...first by pushing the wrong button..second by the planes that are constantly flying over our heads, equipped with the bombs, that might be dropped by mistake and third, the instruments themselves permitting incorrect reading or a malfunction...as for example at Cape Canaveral, there have been several times when tests have had to called off because of mechanical failure... any one of these three things could happen at any moment and we would all be through..."

"Now I don't mean to be attacking anyone's motives...I am just attacking the wisdom of our government and there certainly is no monopoly on wisdom in Washington... (applause)... which reminds me to tell you, speaking of motives, that ROBERT WELCH of the John Birch Society, was a classmate of mine at the University of North Carolina... (audible gasps were heard throughout the audience)... now I don't object to BOBBIE's motives...he's just crazy... of course you first have to be intelligent before you can go crazy (applause)...."

"I could go on at great length to tell you about plenty of times that our government's wisdom should be attacked...take China for instance...when Chiang Kai-Chek,

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"CHURCHILL and F.D.R. met, they declared for the record that Formosa belonged to China...later, when TRUMAN replaced F.D.R. and STALIN and others met at Potsdam, and CHIANG was kicked out of China, Chiang went to Formosa, but all of a sudden Formosa didn't belong to China anymore...do you realize who really occupies Formosa...it's the 7th Fleet and the U.S....if any move should be made on the mainland of China, CHIANG wouldn't lose a minute to get in touch with Washington and you can bet that the 7th Fleet would move in a hurry.

"Then there's Cuba...I was there when the OAS was signed making an agreement not to intervene...the U.N. charter states the same thing...also that no troops could be trained on our soil, to attack another member of the OAS...every one of these agreements have been violated by the U.S....the attempted invasion of Cuba by the U.S. was first denied...more lies...then government officials had to admit it and they were placed in a most embarrassing position...all because of lies...

"Our amoral state system must be changed...the world is too full of poverty, ignorance and bigotry, in that order...we don't really have a food surplus in our country...it's only a matter of distribution (applause)...we should be sending wheat and all other surplus food to people in other parts of the world who are hungry...and it would be much cheaper to ship it than to pay storage for the rats...

"We now have a mutuality with people of the world community...it took Washington 6 weeks to get to his own inauguration but it only took me 4 hours today to get from Tampa to Los Angeles...of course I had to wait at the airport for 5 hours before leaving...and there are far too many air lines...but that's another story...I mention mutuality because the bomb isn't going to discriminate as to race, creed or color of skin...we must work diligently toward disarmament.

"People are constantly asking me how I can be a pacifist after 34 years in the Army...I tell them that I'm

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"not...but that I am a thermoneuclear pacifist...we all must be...and that doesn't offend my Army background...it comes in very handy...

"The Russian people know what war means from personal experience...they list 10 million during their first war and 20 million during W. W. II...they lost most of their industrial plants, schools, hospitals and homes compared to a 100% increase in U. S. industrial growth...if the U.S. was to lose as much as Russia lost in 2 wars, there would be nothing left here east of the Mississippi..(audience gasped)

"In 1957 I spent 3 hours talking to Mr. K in Moscow and he made it clear how anxious he was to promote student exchanges and cultural exchanges...that he would do everything he could to enlarge the program...he wants to trade with the U.S....he said he would make an agreement on arms inspection...anything we wanted he would do...but we don't do it...why don't we cooperate with Russia by submitting an inspection plan...

"Although the U. S. has recognized Russia, we won't recognize China..how can Americans get to know and understand the Chinese people...how can we get any honest reports about conditions when no Americans are even allowed to enter China, except those who are in prison..and the same conditions pertain to Cuba...no one can go to Cuba unless the State Dept. wants them to go...it's a field day for the likes of the press...

"HERBERT E. MATHEWS has written 'The Cuban Story' and I urge you all to read it and get to know the truth about Cuba...we get nothing but propaganda and the only real agreement these days is that it's 90 miles away...

"People keep asking me what can they do...well, first they must help to make people understand by spreading the word that our real enemy...the only enemy, is the nuclear bomb...that is the real monster...that the Russian, Chinese, Cuban, India are only our opponents, with a difference of

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"opinion...only when all people understand and have trust and confidence, can we ever hope to come to any kind of terms for ending the arms race...we must improve communications,...we must replace the sovereign anarchistic state...it is completely outmoded...the only solution for peace is to have world law, with a world court and police force...referred to generally as the 3 'C's: codes, courts and cops...(applause)...

"Back in 1920, there was a police strike back in Boston...COOLIDGE brought in the military to settle it...that was no sovereign state...just license...later COOLIDGE was elected President of the U. S. by God...

"We must see that the economy is more stable...the world is now spending about 120 billion dollars for the arms race and within 10 years, unless we demand disarmament, it is quite possible that a person could carry a pocket size nuclear bomb, like a fountain pen, in his pocket, to use on his neighbor or to settle an argument...

"And what of the economic policies of the U.S.S.R. and China...all are made in Washington...so you see how important it is to have the 3 'C's...we must get rid of the anarchy...get rid of all arms and nuclear weapons...let's have more women in more peace marches...they have done a wonderful job so far...they bear the burden of giving life at birth so they should very well have a part in saving those lives...

"I recently spoke to 2500 students at the U. of California and I urged them to tell their parents the importance of complete disarmament for peace...this will improve communications...my friend BOB WELCH is now calling the Revolutionary War the War of Independence and he's going to run into a lot of trouble with the DAR ladies.

"It is entirely possible to change public opinion and this we must do before it's too late...our representatives and officials in Washington are not really evil...they are just misinformed and lack the wisdom necessary to solve our

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"problems...so we must continue to work toward a world court with world law and a police force to assure and enforce a world of peace.....

"Questions:

"Q....How is it that you were an Army general and can talk this way?

"A...They can't brainwash all of us.

"Q....Have you been to Cuba lately?

"A...No, but I certainly would like to go...nobody from the U.S. can go to Cuba, Russia or China...the government has shut us off from about 1/3 of the world and I don't like it any more than you do.

"Q....What do you think of the U. S. rearming Germany?

"A....It is the most irrational policy...if HITLER was alive today, there is no doubt that he would not hesitate to use the bomb and by rearming Germany, we face the same threat eventually.

"Q....Do you think we can have disarmament with controls?

"A...No, I don't, simply because as long as one country has weapons they will find a time to use them. We must have complete disarmament for peace, with a world court.

"Q....How can we convert to a peace time economy?

"A..It is bound to take a little time but we would then have more people to build schools and hospitals, more people to train as teachers, doctors, scientists etc....we could build more dams and roads...it could be done to the benefit of all.

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"Q..Do you agree with [redacted]

"A...No, I don't...in fact I disagree with his theory that you could possibly use only a 10 megaton bomb if the other side used only a 10 megaton...you can see where it would end...and I don't think his movement will work either.

"Q...What about [redacted] saying that bomb shelters will protect us?

"A...I disagree with [redacted] too...I would suggest that you read what [redacted] wrote about [redacted] testing program...it is the best I've seen.... (applause)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

Private Birch Society Investigation Bared

ANABEHM — In the wake of varying stunts on the John Birch Society within state GOP organizations, it has been disclosed by a private investigation firm here that they have conducted an "intensive, two-month investigation of the so-called right wing 'extremist' group."

Confirmation of the probe was made by Paul Freeman and Russ De Orto, directors of the Efficiency Research Bureau at 300 S. Brookhurst Ave., 300 S. Freeman said he was not at liberty to reveal the client, who retained ERB to conduct the investigation.

When asked whether the request came from an individual or organization, Freeman answered it was not an individual and he said that our company handles firms, as clients, who do not say who they are. He also stated that the client was from "out of Orange County."

The investigation encompassed a study and analysis of the Birch Society's membership, organizational structure, and financing in the Southern California area, with the focal points being Orange, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino Counties.

The project was completed last week by the Anaheim detective

oufit, which almost exclusively deals with commercial firms in shoring up "employee courtesy, honesty and citizenship."

Details of the investigation will not be available "unless the client should so direct us", De Orto said.

Both De Orto and Freeman said they "had no idea" what the ultimate use of their survey would be. "We conducted the investigation on an objective basis just as we would any matter brought to us by a client. No member of our firm is in the Birch Society nor are we necessarily opposed to the Birch Society. In other words, we had no axe to grind," he was merely a job with us," Freeman explained.

He added that the decision to make a public announcement of the probe was made at the end of the project in Orange during the final week we had to go down to questioning several members of the Birch Society and felt that our position should be clarified.

De Orto has been a private investigator for 18 years following service as a law enforcement officer with San Bernardino County. Freeman is a former Los Angeles police officer.

They formed the Efficiency Research Bureau in December, 1960,

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Secret Group Formed To

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Investigators Report Conspiracy Afoot To Discredit Birchers

By JACK BOETTNER
Register Staff Writer

"We find that there is a far worse menace to the security of our nation now operating in these counties than can be charged to the John Birch Society or similar anti-communist groups."

With that terse statement Efficiency Research Bureau, a private investigating firm of 800 S. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, Monday afternoon summed up an investigation of the Birch Society. It began Jan. 2.

The counties referred to are Orange, San Bernardino and Los Angeles.

The menace indicated in the press conference report at the bureau's headquarters is a secret group made up of a core of six persons of reputed integrity in their communities.

Earl Freeman, ERB investigator who was in charge of the investigation of the John Birch Society (JBS), told the press the firm was hired by Raymond V. Long, president of Varec, Inc., a manufacturer of oil company supplies, of 2820 N. Alameda Blvd., Compton, to make an "impartial" study of the Birch activities.

In the process of digging up information via tape recording and microfilming of certain documents, Freeman said, the investigators came across an anti-anti-communist group headquartered in Orange County with ties to Sacramento and Washington.

The secret organization's aim is to discredit the JBS movement and other anti-communist groups, according to Freeman.

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Secret Anti-Anti-Red Group

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Freeman said he has the evidence to show the secret group is doing everything in its power to defeat fighters of communism. This is done by writing articles containing many names of various persons and by handouts and by nationally circulated stories.

The report said: "They intend to destroy the effectiveness of JBS and the work of anti-communists by innuendo ... and to goad weaker individuals or chapters into shooting off their mouths. They intend to use any information obtained in such a manner to reflect on the integrity of a group or individual."

Freeman said the JBS undermining body has collected "anti" literature, including anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, anti-Protestant and anti-Catholic and plans to release it in such a manner it will appear to come from JBS or other patriotic groups.

Release of Names

Freeman said his client hasn't cleared the release of names and documents, but is expected to do so within 10 days.

The investigator said the full story on JBS and other facets of the probe will be documented with facts and will be a "service to the public."

Freeman said Long told the firm he wanted to know all he could about the JBS. He didn't indicate whether he was for or against it, according to Freeman. The investigator declined to disclose the fee involved.

The investigator said: "I went out expecting to find hands fashioning bombs for the clergy, but that wasn't the case."

Freeman said investigators sat in on JBS meetings without being recognized as probes.

Russell DeOrto, a veteran of 15 years investigative work, heads up ERB. The bureau principally is active in the field of commercial investigations, chiefly through gathering of tape recordings.

'Birch Probe Routine'

De Orto pictured the JBS investigation as "routine." He said he was a little leery at first because of the "political" implications.

Since the bureau released a story last week about its probe of the JBS, DeOrto said his office has been bombarded with calls. The press conference Monday afternoon, with Long's approval, was an attempt to bring a halt to the

flood of calls, DeOrto said.

Asked if he would join the JBS after what he has learned, Freeman said: "First, I wouldn't have time to join, but I saw nothing there which would cause me not to join."

He said he would be unable to judge how many members belong to the JBS in Orange County, but "the members participate voluntarily and include doctors, lawyers and reputable businessmen."

One of the avenues for fighting communism taken by the JBS is the concentrated letter-writing campaign, Freeman pointed out.

Five men worked on the probe, according to DeOrto.

Birch Facts Listed

Freeman said one of the six-man group out to defeat the JBS has at least two aliases. Another's activities stretch as far north as Oregon, he said.

The ERB report listed 14 "facts:"

1 — Many of the allegations and rumors against the JBS could not be supported by fact.

2 — The JBS is an anti-communist movement open to anyone interested in joining or attending meetings.

3 — It's not a secret organization, but rather groups meeting for discussion of views and ways in which to fight the international communist conspiracy.

4 — The majority of JBS members don't support or agree with many of the statements of Robert Welch, the society's founder, they seldom disagree with him on policy.

5 — Each chapter is independent and each member cooperates with chapter, state and national views according to the dictates of his own conscience.

6 — ERB investigators attended

ing these meetings have found groups as small as 15 and as large as 59 at a single meeting. About 15 seemed to be preferred.

7 — All indications show that the JBS anti-communist movement is growing continuously and steadily.

Birch Not Anti

8 — Utilizing both white and colored investigators, it was learned the JBS isn't anti-Semitic, anti-Negro, or anti-any religious group. That they, in fact, have chapters comprised entirely of colored membership. Also, it was found JBS has Jewish members on the national advisory council.

9 — Investigators found no evidence of violence or unlawful activity engaged in by the JBS.

10 — Investigators did learn that there were individuals who carried personal prejudices with them into the organization. It was learned JBS works to isolate persons with such prejudice. If a whole chapter is found to share certain prejudices the area coordinators try to disseminate such groups.

11 — Investigators learned there is a JBS major coordinator for Orange, Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties and he has two coordinators directly under him.

No Dictatorship Found

12 — Investigators expected to find a dictatorship and didn't find it.

13 — The society as a whole works very hard to make sure that JBS isn't used as a vehicle to promote prejudices.

14 — Investigative work included checking out documented information by fact-finding groups which is used as a basis for some JBS work.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)
FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)
SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING
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[redacted]
of the Efficiency Research Bureau, 800 South
Brookhurst Avenue, Anaheim, California, a private
investigating agency, advised SA [redacted]
on 3-9-62 that about two months previous he had been
hired by a [redacted] to obtain background
information concerning the John Birch Society. The
investigation encompassed a study and analysis
of the Birch Society's membership, organizational
structure and financing in the Southern California
area and was completed in early March, 1962. [redacted]
advised that about a week ago he was contacted by
one [redacted] aka [redacted]
[redacted] who told him he had information concerning
the John Birch Society, also. [redacted] allegedly
stated he belonged to an organization devoted to
the cause of developing information against the
anti-communists and that the co-ordinating council
of this organization was composed of the following
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stated he did not know what organization [redacted]
represents. The enclosed newspaper article from
"The Register", Santa Ana, California, newspaper,
issue of March 9, 1962 sets out similar information
to that furnished above by [redacted]

On 3-16-62 [redacted] West
[redacted] advised he had received
information from [redacted] concerning the investigation
which had been conducted by the Efficiency Research
Bureau. [redacted] stated the Efficiency Research
Bureau originally began an investigation concerning the
John Birch Society in the Orange County area for the
purpose of preparing an anti-Birch report, but as
investigation progressed, the report turned out to be
pro-Birch. During the course of the investigation
the investigators identified six individuals who attempt
to remain secret who were opposed to the Birch Society.
The investigators learned that the six individuals (see above)
had been meeting secretly twice a month for the past
18 months. [redacted] stated that the Efficiency
Research Bureau intends to hold a press conference
on Wednesday, 3-21-62, at the Disneyland Hotel,
Anaheim, California. [redacted] observed that in view
of the wide spread interest in the press conference
he expects it to be well attended by the news media
and it is currently planned to televise the proceedings
over KCOP-TV, channel 13, Los Angeles.

The March 13, 1962 issue of "The Register,"
Santa Ana, California, enclosed herewith, contained
additional information concerning the investigation
of the John Birch Society by the Efficiency Research
Bureau. The article indicates that the Research Bureau

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was hired by [redacted] Incorporated, 2820 North Alameda Boulevard, Compton, California, to make a study of the Birch activities. In conducting this investigation the article indicates that the investigator came across an anti-anti-communist group headquarters in Orange County with ties to Sacramento and Washington. The article states that the Research Bureau indicates that their client is expected to clear the release of names and documents within ten days.

The files of the Los Angeles Office contain no identifiable information concerning [redacted] aka; [redacted] of [redacted]

The files of the Los Angeles Office reflect that in June, 1961 [redacted] was the victim of an unknown subject extortion case. LA file 9-2612. This file indicates [redacted] was a [redacted] at [redacted] and a columnist for "The News", a Garden Grove, California, newspaper. He was also the founder of the Webster-Quimmley Society. [redacted] is the subject of a security matter investigation, Bufile 100-390182 - LA 100-33597. Los Angeles report of SA ROBERT W. HOUSEAL, JR. dated 11-4-52 in this case set forth available data concerning him. In June, 1953 [redacted] had contributed to the Civil Rights Congress Prisoners' Relief Fund in New York. More recently he has appeared as a lecturer in the Anaheim, California, area and has served as vice-president of the Orange County Fair Housing Practices Committee, a committee formed to promote sale or rental of property to minority groups. He is presently a history professor at Chapman College. Los Angeles files indicate [redacted] is an attorney at Fullerton, California. In November, 1961

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in answer to an announcement that his firm had been retained as attorneys for the American Civil Liberties Union, he said that in the only suit he is handling involving the ACLU he was representing the California State Bar against the ACLU. Los Angeles letter dated 8-31-61 to the Bureau captioned Southern California School of Anti-Communism [redacted] transmitted news clippings reflecting [redacted] (former Municipal Judge) had read the Director's letter contained in the Law Enforcement Bulletin of April, 1961 before a school board in Fullerton, California.

The above is furnished for the information of the Bureau. Any additional information received will be promptly furnished.

For the additional information of the Bureau, Los Angeles files also reflect that [redacted] was one of the subjects of an Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications case in 1959 in Los Angeles, Bufile 139-879, Los Angeles file 139-48. [redacted] a private investigator and former member of the Los Angeles Police Department, admitted the installing of a microphone in Buena Park, California. Prosecution was declined in this case. On 11/24/61, [redacted] Private Investigator, Anaheim, California, made a complaint on a subversive matter to the Santa Ana Resident Agency. Los Angeles files also reflect [redacted] in 1957, was one of the subjects in an impersonation - Conspiracy case, Los Angeles file 47-6998. [redacted] then a member of the San Bernardino Police Department and a private investigator, was believed by the victim to have represented himself as a U. S. Government Investigator, however, neither [redacted] or the other subject gave any specific title for their supposed employment. Prosecution was declined in this matter.

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Denies Link With Birchers

Charges by U.S. Sen. Lee Metcalf that the Coast Federal Savings and Loan Association of Los Angeles has been distributing "John Birch Society literature" drew a sharp retort today from that organization.

In a terse statement, Coast Federal's president Joe Crail said the Montana Democrat's statement of yesterday "is, to use the Senator's own words, a complete and irresponsible fabrication of absolute untruth."

NAMES 2 FIRMS

Metcalf contended that he has been bombarded by post cards endorsing the Birch Society, contending they are being distributed by Coast Federal and the Poor Richard's Book Shop of Los Angeles.

"It's unfortunate that a United States Senator lacks the basic responsibility to check the record and the facts before he goes headline hunting," Crail said.

"Coast Federal Savings and Loan Association is not, nor ever has been, a political institution. We have 150,000 members representing, we are certain, both political parties. We have not, nor will we, endorse any political party. As an organization we take no position on the John Birch Society or any other such group.

"We believe, as an organization, in the traditional American right of maximum opportunity and individual freedom of belief under our American system of free competitive enterprise.

All our literature is along this line and is not partisan."

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Savings, Loan Head Denies Bircher Help

An implication by Sen. Metcalf (D-Mont.) that Coast Federal Savings & Loan Assn. had circulated material endorsing the John Birch Society was denied Friday by Joe Crail, association president.

The senator had charged that a fabricated quotation attributed to Soviet Premier Khrushchev was circulated in material endorsing the John Birch Society. Some post cards on which the quotation was printed were distributed by Coast Federal, he said.

"Coast Federal Savings & Loan Assn. is not, nor ever has been, a political institution," Crail said. "We have 150,000 members representing, we are certain, both political parties.

No Position Taken

"We have not nor will we endorse any political party. As an organization we take no position on the John Birch Society or any other such group.

"We believe as an organization in the traditional American right of maximum opportunity and individual

freedom of belief under our American system of free competitive enterprise. All of our literature is along this line and is not partisan."

Crail had said earlier that the quotation attributed to Khrushchev was withdrawn from Coast Federal's literature about two years ago because it could not be authenticated. He said he understood it was a "summary" of several things Khrushchev had said.

It quoted the Soviet premier as saying, "We cannot expect the Americans to jump from capitalism to communism, but we can assist their elected leaders in giv-

ing Americans small doses of socialism until they suddenly awake to find they have communism."

Sen. Metcalf charged the quotation "arouses Americans against their elected officials."

Los Angeles Times

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Nixon Urges Walker Quit Birch Group

Former Vice President Richard M. Nixon is offering a Texas Democrat, Edwin A. Walker, the same advice Nixon has given certain Republicans:

"Get out of the John Birch Society or get Robert Welch out."

Walker, retired Army major general, is seeking the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in Texas.

Nixon, a candidate for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in California, has become a militant critic of the Birch Society and its founder, Welch. At a Pomona College student assembly here yesterday, Nixon declared the society is denied "the right of dissent."

"Being extreme is not wrong," Nixon said, but use of "any means to an end" is. The former Vice President said Welch is "an irresponsible demagogue" with a "dictatorial point of view."

Without naming them, Nixon said two California congressmen also should get out of the society or get rid of Welch. The two are Edgar W. Hiestand and John H. Rousset, both Republicans.

In nearby Los Angeles last night, Nixon was censured for his criticism of the far right wing by the County Young Republicans.

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Los Angeles Division

Editor: HERBERT H. KRAUCH

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles (100-0)

DATE:

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] aka [REDACTED]

Information Concerning [REDACTED]

On 3/9/62 [REDACTED] private investigator, [REDACTED] Anaheim, California, advised the writer as follows:

Approximately two months ago he was hired by [REDACTED] to obtain background information concerning the John Birch Society. [REDACTED] said he was interested in becoming a member of the organization but prior to joining wish to obtain some background information concerning the organization.

[REDACTED] said he did conduct an investigation into the John Birch Society and during the course of the investigations did make numerous inquiries. Approximately a week ago, according to [REDACTED] he was contacted by the subject who said he had been informed of the inquiries which [REDACTED] had been making concerning the John Birch Society and wished to learn the identity of his client. [REDACTED] said the subject apparently thought he was trying to obtain adverse information concerning the JBS. He said the subject advised he had information concerning the JBS which might be of assistance to him. The subject said he belonged to an organization which is devoted to the cause of developing information against the anti-communists. The subject said he had a list of all the JBS members in Orange County. In addition he advised he had confidential files on the leading Anti-Communist leaders which contained information which could be used to discredit them. [REDACTED] said among

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the names mentioned by the subject on whom he had files were Leon Skousen and []

[] The subject said that the coordinating council of the organization was composed of the following individuals:



[] apparently works out of his home at [] Anaheim, California and has several individuals in the house working on files for him. He said that the subject has advised him that he is going to attempt to show that the JBS members were behind a ~~Bar~~ fire which happened at the shopping center located at Ball and Brookhurst approximately three weeks ago. In addition he said the subject has indicated that he plans to put out a publication in the near future which will have articles discrediting the JBS members as well as other anti communist fighters.

[] said he does not know yet what organization the subject represents. He said he played along with the subject to the extent that the subject thinks that he is attempting to obtain adverse information on the JBS to discredit the society when in fact that is not the case.

[] said he would maintain contact with the FBI and furnish any information he had concerning the subject.

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Subject's name and aliases JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY			Address of subject			Character of case IS-C		
Complainant's address and telephone number [Redacted]			Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic			Date 3-19-62 Time 11:20		
Phone [Redacted]			Huntington Beach Calif					
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace		
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion			
	Scars, marks or other data							
<p>Facts of complaint WANTED to know if FBI could give her some info. on the JOHN BIRCH Society, whether it was subversive or not.</p> <p>SHE WAS ADVISED BY AGENT OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF FBI records + furnished the address of the U.S. Dept. of Justice, Internal Security, Subversive Organizations Section, Washing D.C.</p> <p>No. Comments were made to her re the - John Birch Society other than there should be a lot of public information on it in the news paper files.</p> <p>ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 5-8-96 BY SP4-BSA/KM</p> <p>100-59001-613</p>								
Action Recommended None			[Redacted Box]			<p>SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED MAR 20 1962 FBI - LOS ANGELES</p>		

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Society file 100-59001

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Subject's name and aliases JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY		Address of subject		Character of case SM	
Complainant [Redacted]		Complainant's address and telephone number [Redacted] Rosemead, Calif.		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 3/20/62 time 7:50 a.m.	
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	Facts of complaint <p>C stated she has a copy on the John Birch Society's "Bluebook" and wanted to know whether or not she should read it. She was advised that the FBI cannot advise her in matters of this nature.</p>				
Action Recommended File for information. [Redacted]		<div style="text-align: right;"> <p>100-59901-614</p> <p>SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED MAR 20 1962 FBI - LOS ANGELES</p> </div>			

**BIRCH SOCIETY
PROBE REPORT
WEDNESDAY**

A detailed report on the findings of an independent investigation of the John Birch Society will be made public at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Embassy Room of the Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim.

The meeting is open to the general public.

The investigation was conducted by the Efficiency Research Bureau of 800 S. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, for Ramon Long of Garden Grove, president of a Compton manufacturing firm.

Orange, Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties were covered in the two-month ERB probe.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55455) DATE 2-13-62
FROM : SA [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: MORANDA SMITH SECTION
SCDCP
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[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identity should be concealed.	Aaron Johnson Club, Moranda Smith Section, SCDCP, mtg. 1-11-62	1-19-62	WRITER	[REDACTED] (WR)
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"	Exhibits as described herein	1-19-62	WRITER	See below
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Informant's written report is quoted as follows:

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(JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
(PW)
[REDACTED]
(CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
(LOS ANGELES JEWISH
CULTURAL & FRATERNAL CLUBS)
(SECURITY MEASURES)
(SI)
(POLITICAL ACTIVITY)

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"The Aaron Johnson Club (now called a Peace Group) of the Moranda Smith Section of the Southern California District CP met on Thursday, January 11, 1962 at 8:00 PM at [redacted]

There were 7 persons present; namely:

[redacted]

[redacted]

"The meeting was conducted by the club's [redacted]

"CP literature was sold by [redacted]

[redacted] The literature included copies of the Worker CP paper of New York, and a pamphlet by MIKE NEWBERRY, on "The Facist Revival" - the inside story of the John Birch Society -- who is in it? who is behind it? who directs and finances it?

"Other CP literature was also sold plus the World's Marxist Review.

[redacted] collected CP membership dues & monthly sustainer from those who pay sustainer to the CP. Everyone present paid CP membership dues.

"A report was given on the PW subscription drive & other events of the People's World paper, by [redacted] the club's [redacted] she reported that:

"The PW is now conducting anew subscription drive to build & broaden the paper; this can only be done by getting more & more new readers for the People's World paper & getting renewals from old readers of the PW whose subscriptions

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have expired. The Southern Calif. District Committee for the PW is urging that every Readers' group mobilize themselves & go out on a door to door campaign to get new subs for the PW.

"The 24th anniversary of the PW paper will be celebrated on Sunday, Jan. 28, 1962 at 6:30 PM at the Park Manor, 607 South Western Ave. The guest speaker will be prof. LOUISE PETTIBONE SMITH; There will be a program of entertainment & refreshments; everyone is urged to attend this affair. Tickets are sold at 90¢ per person, each readers group & all CP clubs have tickets to sell in order to guarantee a big crowd."

"Current events were discussed as the next point on the agenda:

[redacted], the club's chairman suggested that the radio be turned on in order that the club members could listen to an interview of [redacted] a CP member who was recently elected Business Representative of the Teamsters Union Local #208; this was done. [redacted] stated over the radio that his office is located at 1616 West 9th Street.

[redacted] announced that the Jewish Peace meeting which was held on Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1962 by the Jewish Cultural Club, was a big success; there were over 1,000 persons attending this affair:

[redacted] stated that a resolution was sent from this peace meeting to President JOHN F. KENNEDY, for Peace & Disarmament. NOTE: A copy of that resolution is included with this report.

[redacted] gave a report from the Moranda Smith Section meeting CP which was held on Monday, Jan. 8, 1962; they reported that [redacted] related to the Section that the Southern Calif. District CP Executive Board is urging that all CP members & CP clubs that are living in the 10th councilmanic district go all out in support of the Recall movement in that District for

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Negro Representation in the Los Angeles City Council; and that those CP members who do not live in the 10th District seek to do some work in the recall movement by helping at the Headquarters of the recall movement with what's to be done there. Also that each CP Club & member prepare to work in the general 1962 Legislation Elections campaign for Negro representation."

Informant furnished the following described items:

1. One-page mimeographed letter dated 1-10-62, captioned "An Open Letter to Our President for Peace and Disarmament" (located [redacted])
2. Printed announcement of the 24th anniversary celebration of the "People's World" scheduled to be held 1/28/62 at the Park Manor, 607 S. Western Ave., Los Angeles, featuring Prof. LOUISE PETTIBONE SMITH as guest speaker, sponsored by the Southern California Committee for the PW. (located [redacted])
3. Reprint from an unidentified issue of the "People's World" captioned "Of newspapers that are murdered and of a paper that lives..." (located [redacted])

ACTION

The delay in channelizing of the foregoing information was due to the writer's assignment in early December, 1961 to work during December, 1961 on the preparation of a prosecutive summary report in the case entitled "Pacific Publishing Foundation, Inc., Publishers of "People's World", aka "Daily People's World". IS-C; ISA of 1950"; and also was due to the writer's having been occupied full-time in January and early February, 1962 with the preparation of ten Bureau deadline matters, two of which were lengthy reports on Key Figures of the Los Angeles Office.

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Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (97-16)

DATE: 2/16/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: "PEOPLE'S WORLD"
(PW)
REGISTRATION ACT

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
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[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed:	Southern California Committee for the PW meeting 1/30/62.	2/5/62	Writer	[REDACTED]
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(HUNGARIAN WORKERS HOME)

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100-26044 (ORGANIZATION)
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100-20874 [REDACTED]

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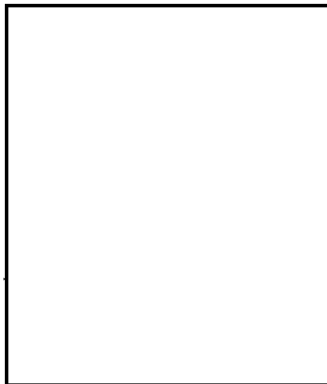
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Informant's report is quoted as follows:

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"The Sou. Calif. Committee for the People's World held its regular semi-monthly this evening, Jan. 30th at the Hungarian Cultural Center, 1251 S. St. Andrews Pl.

"Those that attended this meeting were:



& the elderly loud talking man that works at the P.W.'s Western Ave. store, plus a woman from the Beverly-Fairfax area whose name I do not know.

"Note: This meeting was in session about a half hour when I and several others arrived on account of working late.

 was giving her report when the late comers arrived. She stated that the bombing of the front entrance to the building where the P.W. Office & GP offices are located at 524 S. Spring St. was just an outrageous act of intimidation by the Birchers & not just the act of some crackpot as some sources are trying to make believe. This act of intimidation

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"was mainly to frighten the readers, subscribers & financial supporters of the P.W. She stated that [] went to see Mayor YORTY to protest this bombing & to ask the Mayor to take official action into this outrage, but she [] learned later that Mayor YORTY washed his hands of the affair & stated that it is an affair for the police department and not him.

"Others at this meeting stated that they read or heard that [] did not get an interview with the Mayor & that she left a note of protest with the Mayor's secretary to be given the Mayor.

[] asked that those present at this meeting write letters, send telegrams & to ask their friends, b6 maintainances & the members of their organizations to write & mail l^{b7}ers & send telegrams protesting this bombing & demand an investigation. She added that the letters & wires should be sent to Mayor YORTY, Police Chief PARKER, Atty. Gen. MOSK & others, etc. including the F.B.I.

"A motion was carried to send wires tomorrow in the name of this committee, stating the number of members in this committee. [] promised to see to it that the wires from this committee as a whole will be sent out tomorrow.

[] displayed a letter stating that the P.W. & the C.P. received identical eviction orders from the management of the building at 524 S. Spring St. demanding that the P.W. & the C.P. vacate their office space & the premises by a certain date. [] said that they talked to the manager of the building & he said that the ouster order is nothing personal, but the management stated that other tenants have become frightened & if the P.W. & the C.P. remained there then some of the other tenants might move out. She said that the manager stated that the management said that they would not like to loose their larger tenants, such as the school & several others which the manager named.

[] stated that she & someone else from the P.W. staff representing the P.W. & [] & possibly BEN DOBBS from the C.P. would make a round to talk to the tenants

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"or especially the larger tenants of the building to get their reaction to the bombing & to the P.W. & the C.P. remaining as tenants of the building & if their reactions are favorable then their eviction order will be protested & fought.

[] stated that BEN DOBBS will be 50 years old or 60 years old in March, & she proposed that a dinner & testimonial affair be staged by this committee to celebrate his birthday. [] stated that the only date available is Sunday evening, March 25. [] added that the proposed affair honoring [] should be a combination celebration & goal point in the P.W. fund drive, of which the date will be set later.

[] announced that [] will meet with a few selected students for an important talk & discussion with them. She either said Feb. 17 or Feb. 18 is the date of this student meeting. She said that [] will meet with the Valley P.W. committee & P.W. builders on Saturday night Feb. 17th. She also stated that the P.W. Editorial Staff will be available on various dates for various affairs given over the Sou. Calif. District during the fund drive which will not officially begin (until) March 1st."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

[] orally advised SA [] on 2/5/62 that he had inadvertently omitted the word "until" in the last sentence of his report and that the word "until" should be inserted in last sentence of report immediately preceding words "March 1st" in order that the sentence will reflect the correct information. Hence, word "until" has been entered in parenthesis in last sentence of above quoted report.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)

DATE: 3/1/62

WJH

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY (JBS)
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OO: Los Angeles

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Meeting on the "Psycho- pathology of Extremism" at the Valley Jewish Com- munity Center, North Hollywood, California, 2/20/62, and literature.	2/26/62	Writer	[REDACTED]

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"On Tuesday, February 20, 1962, at 9 p.m., at the Valley Jewish Community Center, [REDACTED] of Rabbi WISE, spoke on The Psychopathology Of Extremism [REDACTED] said that the growth of extremism on the right was a result of projected hatred. He then explained hatred thusly. Everyone is born with angers and frustrations. The new born baby will cry in anger and frustration over hunger pains. As the child grows he identifies the causes of his anger and frustration with the thing or person that causes. The child then projects hatred to the person. The child who sees mother as two persons, a mean old witch and a loving person, later

CC: [REDACTED]

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"understands that it is just one person and loves and hates at the same time. Therefore hatred is born of angers and frustrations projected as fear and mistrust of parents, teachers, government, or in the case of extremists, the Communists. He quoted J. EDGAR HOOVER to show that there are only 10,000 card holding Communists in the U. S. This shows a waning of the internal threat. The right-wing extremists here would be called Nazis in Germany. Like the Nazis they are mostly all Homosexuals or deviates or sexually perverted or frustrated who are projecting there guilt complexes into hatred. He described [redacted] as a frustrated failure who peddled hate to the tune of a \$250,000. profit in L. A. alone. All Birchers were angry, frustrated, perverted or guilt complexed people that were hating and peddling hate. He said all Christians and in particular Catholics, because of guilt complexes over worshipping a Christ who advocated Brotherly love and the Golden Rule, were frustrated and thus spread hatred of Jews. He said they have turned the cross around and are using it as a sword of hatred. There was a question and answer period. A woman asked, 'What about those we know to be stable normal people siding with the Birchers?' [redacted] answered, 'Oh they have hidden frustrations, angers and perversions also. But are less extreme.' A man asked, 'I am confused. Mr. KENNEDY seems to be a good president and has been reasonable with minority groups. How do you explain his devotion to Catholicism?' [redacted] answered, 'That is a loaded question, but I would say, it is my opinion he is not rigid in his beliefs. He is not what you would call a Good Catholic.' [redacted] also during the talk spoke of the concern over teenage unemployment. He pointed out that these teenagers will become frustrated and then fall in with the Birchers blaming others for their own failures. He quoted J. EDGAR HOOVER's warning against vigilanties and [redacted] article on extremists. The bombings in the Valley were cited as evidence of the hatred of these extremists on the right. He stated he would never debate with any of these people as they were all rigid in there thinking as in the case of [redacted] (the Young Republicans) debating with the head of the young Democrats, you never get anywhere. One

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"women asked about General WALKER and [redacted] said he dispised this man. He couldnt know what his frustrations were. [redacted] said General WALKER started out ok and then went too far in his indoctrination and was know just awfull. He also stated that the Assosiation of Psychologists and pschitrists were forming a committee to study why people did not speak out against the extreme rightists. He received a good round of applause and then Rabbi WISE announced next weeks talk. See enclosed."

ACTION:

Informant also furnished the announcement of the "University of Judaism" 1962 Spring Semester Curriculum, which indicates that this courst is one of the courses offered by the Extension Branch of the University of Judaism at the Valley Jewish Community Center and Temple, 5540 Laurel Canyon Boulevard, North Hollywood, California. The original announcement states:

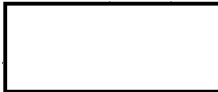
"Extremism is a subject much discussed today. What is it? What does it mean to us Americans with our great tradition of free speech? How does it affect us as responsible members of a community? These are questions which will be discussed in a series of interesting classes by lectures from the faculty of U.C.L.A. As soon as final details on the course content and costs have been completed, a brochure containing full information on the lecture breakdown, names of the lecturers and the tuition will be distributed."

The subsequent brochure states in part, "Each of the sessions will be in the form of a Lecture-Discussion with the following provocative titles and delivered by notable lecturers:

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"February 20
February 27

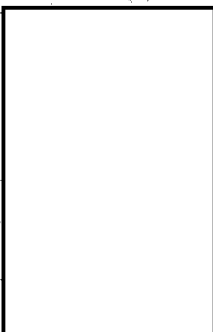
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"March 6	Superpatriots in America's Past
March 13	Patriots, Patriotism and Their Symbols
March 20	The Professional Extremist
March 27	Future Prospects for Extremism in America
April 3	The Pluralistic Communist Universe
April 10	Jews and Other Minorities in the Soviet Union
April 17	Soviet Foreign Policy in Israel and the Near East
May 1	Communism and Communists in America



Both the announcement and the brochure mentioned above are maintained in Los Angeles file 

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

The following names are being indexed to this memo:



University of Judaism
Valley Jewish Community Center, 5540 Laurel Canyon, North Hollywood

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-29162) DATE: 3/8/62
FROM: SA [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: GUS HALL
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[REDACTED]	2/18/62	2/20/62	Writer	[REDACTED]

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- 1 - Buffalo (REGISTERED) (Info.)
- 1 - San Francisco (REGISTERED) (Info.)
- 1 - Portland (REGISTERED) (Info.)
- 1 - Seattle (REGISTERED) (Info.)

100-36540 [REDACTED]
100-26423
100-23397 (CP BRIEF)
100-23488 (CP FUNDS)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
62-4580 (CHRISTIAN ANTI-
COMMUNIST CRUSADE)
100-24349 (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)

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"Attendance: capacity crowd... [redacted]
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"Donation: 50¢ (the collection total was not announcted...

"(The name of the chairman was never mentioned)

"Chairman: The Los Angeles Committee Against the McCarran Act welcomes you all this afternoon...we have planned this meeting in order that you may hear our speaker on his brief stay in our city...he has many things to tell you... he has served in the U. S. Navy and has also been deprived of his freedom by the Mc Carran Act, which resulted in spending 8 years in prison...

"The McCarran Act is part of our oppressive legislation that reaches out in all directions...it deprives citizens the right to speak out...to sound off....there are always times when we should be able to sound off whether it is by debate or through the medium of our free press...

"The latest newspaper to be a victim of McCarran is the Worker..the editor and his staff have been served subpoenas for indictment and they are scheduled to appear before a grand jury, a Federal body in Washington and the editor feels that this situation should be of great concern to every editor and publisher in our country. The editor doesn't even dare go abroad to talk to the Attorney General of the U.S. for fear of being arrested and prosecuted under the passport section of the McCarran Act....another section of the McCarran act now requires registration...to fight this Act, we need money, so give all you can. (baskets were passed around) Because we do have the right to sound off, the meeting today has been planned to first let you hear the speaker and then ask written questions so that you too can sound off and everyone will have a chance to participate...this way we can take advantage of every minute of our speakers time...I ask you all to please cooperate...we want to have freedom of expression...it is my pleasure to introduce Mr. GUS HALL....(standing ovation)

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"G. HALL:

"I'm glad to see you all looking so healthy... (laughter)...I was afraid that with all the rain and mud slides and bombings, maybe Los Angeles wouldn't even be here...but you all look fine.

"In addition to being a target for bombs, California has been the biggest target and on the largest scale ever in the history of the state, of the ultra-right...it has been a wide scale test to see just how far the ultra-right could go in causing hysteria, confusion and fear, laced with lies...the ultra-right has now reached the proportions of a monstrous conspiracy and a most dangerous threat to our democracy...they have been well organized and well heeled...they even imported some help from the swamps of Australia... (laughter)...this fascist conspiracy began here in California...first with the Christian crusade type of attack...The next phase was the more professional group of so-called anti-communist schools, financed by big business...Richfield Oil, Technicolor, Schick razor and the latest monopoly to join up is Tidewater Oil....of course these capitalistic monopolies fully expect more business from all this and more money for profits...their dollars have put these shows out all over the country on television, have printed tons of material to distribute and after generating their propaganda of war hysteria, then moved across the country...

"All you have to do is take a look at the men involved in this conspiracy to see that there is no place for the working class...there are retired military generals, doctors, professors, authors, ministers and even Congressmen have added stature and support...they represent the elite and there just isn't any place for us, the working class...they're against us with their right to work laws...they're against us with the McCarran Act, Landrum-Griffin, Smith Act, and all the rest...

"The ultra-right is a slimy, vile, gutter-like element that has become a vicious conspiracy against the working

"people like us...the ultra-right is the illegitimate child of the cold war and spawns on such things as nuclear testing, capitalism and segregation...but they are now on the decline and I say that with confidence because even the Birchers aren't the real threat...in spite of wanting to hang Justice EARL WARREN and calling EISENHOWER a communist.

"GOLDWATER has called them all a bunch of idiots... (applause) and that reminds me to tell you that when I was at Cornell, I spoke to between 7 and 8 thousand students...a short time later, GOLDWATER spoke, at the same place, with the same publicity coverage and in the same facilities and he spoke to a crowd of 250 people..(applause)

"President KENNEDY said in the paper today that the ultra-right is on the way out...(applause)...and I could guess who did the bombings...it's the same old typical fascist tactics of using force and violence that are signs of cowards and defeat... even tricky-Dick says he won't support candidates who are tied to the ultra-right elements...& GOLDWATER refused to appear at Madison Sq. Gardens with extremist General WALKER.

"The violence in France is a lesson for all of us... you can see what the rightists are doing there but the encouraging sign is the way that about 25% of the progressive French attended the funerals of victims, showing that they intend to take over before long...There is a strong mass movement under way all over the world (applause) and that movement is rapidly developing right here because I've been seeing it happen up and down the Pacific coast...(applause)

"And on the brighter side, my trip through the Northwest has been terrific...if you think that success is going to my head, you're right...(applause)...I've talked to thousands of students in spite of the ultra-right who did everything they could to keep me out of California colleges, although I did talk to students at Stanford...Mr. HOOVER's old school...(applause)... but the students in Oregon and Washington were another matter...

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"they were given an opportunity to hear a communist speak and they turned out by the thousands...and I now not only have the press following me, but politicians who won't allow people to hear me, but they want to hear what I have to say.... Even the ultra-right press has been giving my more coverage than I ever imagined could be possible...

"We must demand academic freedom...the right to sound off...whether you agree or not, you still have the right to hear and be heard...and this is obviously the way the students feel...they are well aware that we live today in two worlds...one socialist and one capitalist..they also agree that the socialist world is excelling in both the space and education race...the capitalist world is winning out in other places...but the students want to listen, evaluate and decide for themselves....they know very well that these two worlds have the nuclear power to blow the other right off the map and that now it is vitally important to learn how this can be avoided... just how these two worlds can be brought together for a peaceful life for us all...we must work together...the Communist Party USA won't hinder the unification of capitalism and socialism... we've made mistakes and we are willing to compromise or reconsider....

"Up in Seattle, the most active element of the ultra-right is Boeing Aircraft and they were responsible for creating almost a complete blackout...they show films full of the typical lies and print 1000's of leaflets not only for the employees, but the townfolk too...but the Y.M.C.A. came to our rescue and provided their hall, over a few protests of some of their members...there was only room for about 350 but 1000 more were outside...

"Down in Portland, I talked to students at Reed College...but the big thrill came at the U. of Oregon...I was ready to go to the hall when the chairman said, come with me... the hall isn't big enough, we'r going to the football stadium... and there were 12,000 people there...where Rose Bowl teams had played their college games...most of the crowd was made up of

"students but there were lots of faculty members and people from town...this was the biggest victory since the Chicago steel strike back in 1937...(applause)...a piece of literature was being handed out by ultra-rightists, with quotes that I had made at different times..most were taken from the 1937 days and I can safely say that my life at that particular time is better documented than any other years... they claimed that I said that the left wing included; Democrats, Republicans, liberals, leftists, progressives, moderates and communists...I don't ever remember saying that...(applause)

"From Eugene, I went about 80 miles north to the little town of Monmouth, with a population of less than 2500... but there wasn't a soul in sight...the town was deserted... I asked where everybody was and I should have guessed...yes, they were all out at the football stadium...almost 3000 people...who had come from miles around. (applause) and it rained the whole time so I figure that if people will sit for a couple of hours, soaking wet, they must really want to hear what a communist has to say...(applause)...I'd like to rename Monmouth to Mammoth...

"After this, I'm going to insist that all of my future appearances be made in football stadiums, which is more than the conservative Mr. GOLDWATER can say...I talked to about 8000 students at Cornell recently...shortly afterwards, GOLDWATER spoke there...with the same amount of publicity, same place and same facilities, to a crowd of 250 people...see what I mean?... (applause)

"COLLEGE students these days don't want to hear debates, they want the facts...as I see it, there is even more movement in the students ranks today than there was back in the 30's...(applause)...One student said: GUS, we don't want you to talk about McCarran or the ultra-right because we already know about them...we want to hear what your side of the story is as a communist....and todays' students aren't just about to go to war...they won't go out and join up with a military that's

"ready to push the button that will kill us all...(applause)

"People keep asking me everywhere I go about the bombings here in L.A.... [redacted] son of the minister, whose home was bombed, is a typical student of today, who wants to think for himself...he was in Sacramento recently, where he gave his views with the young Y.M.C.A.'s...a vote was taken on a proposition that would have barred communist party members from holding state offices...but it was voted down by a majority vote because it would give the vile ultra-right fascists more chances to spread hate...if the communists are barred from office and from sounding off, then any other group could be next...

"Young people turned to progressive ideas in the 30's and they're going that way again now in the 60's...(applause)... they want to make their own decisions and they intend to do it, so they will be able to live in a peaceful world...(applause)

"I think the day is not far away when men running for Congress will be compelled to comply with some ground rules set by the people of this country...first, they will have to be non-partisan...second, they must recognize minorities, especially the Mexicans & the Negroes...third, maintain an anti-ultra-right stand...fourth, to seriously work with all peace elements of the world for total disarmament....there must be new faces, new conclusions and new parties to face reality if we ever hope to win...the communist party will work constantly to outlaw war....

"the Marxists will work for socialism and when capitalism is no more, we can put up a sign that says, made in the U.S.A. (applause)

"The masses are now in motion for the real struggle and this mass development is reaching such proportions that it makes anyone feel good...thank you...(applause)

"Chairman: We will now collect your written questions for Mr. HALL....

"Q...

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"Questions and answers....

"Q...What do you think of HOFFA?

"A..He's not only a good union man but he's a good politician.

"Q.....

"A...This is an anti-semitetic question and soen't even deserve an answer, so I'm going to ignore it...along with a couple of others.

"Q...Who is sponsoring the pickets outside the front entrance?

"A..I don't know, but I could guess..

"Q...When do you think the U. S. will go socialist?

"A...the sooner the better..(applause) and we can put out signs saying 'made in the U.S.A.

"Q...

What is the title of your talk today?

"A..I'm glad to be here in Los Angeles.

"Q...What is the source of your money?

"A..It's from the workers.

"Q...Do you think KENNEDY will support monopoly?

"A...Yes, of course he will because he's part of it himself..but he will ignore socialists while he supports it... I think he's too eager right now to be re-elected...for instance, during the womens peace march in Washington, he did look out the window and shortly afterwards, he had people serving coffee

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"and cookies to the women marchers...so I'd say that somebody inside knows what's going on...it was far different from a few years ago when men were out picketing...

"Q...What do you think of the way BOBBIEKENNEDY is acting?

"A..He's actually acting like a progressive.

"Q...Do you think there will be more frequent strikes here in the U.S.?

"A...Yet, I certainly do..in all areas.

"Q...What happens to a union member if he's a Bircher or ultra-right?

"A..Most unions now have provisions for immediate expulsion.

"Q...Do you think our colleges are left wing these days?

"A..Well, not exactly...it reminds me of the 30's when students didn't know quite which way to turn during the depression...today they're concerned about nuclear war and loss or lack of jobs because of automation..they aren't satisfied with things as they are so once again the young people are turning to progressive thinking...they have proved by the thousands that they want to hear what a communist has to say and if you think that this success is going to my head, you're absolutely right..(applause)

"Q...How can we have world peace and co-existence without socialism?

"A...As I said earlier, we now have two worlds and we have to make a choice...either the capitalist world with nuclear war or the socialist world that is becoming more and more popular

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"all over the world...we must have negotiations and co-existence...to understand and get along with the socialist world is our only real way to lasting peace.

"Q...Should we fight the ban on passports?

"A..By all means...we must be free to travel.

"Q...What can we do?

"A...As I told the students, demand your right to sound off...protest all denials to sound off...which means that we must repeal the McCarran Act...organize and fight the indictment of the Worker...

"Chairman: Here is an 82 year old negro from Pasadena who wants to shake hands with Mr. HALL...Mr. SPEARS..(applause) There will be an Easter peace march April 20 and another on April 21. Thank you and goodbye.....

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

Copies are furnished New York as Office of Origin and Buffalo, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle for information regarding HALL's activities in these areas.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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"Attended a grathering at the Park Manor Ballroom, Sun. Feb. 18, 1962, 1 P.M. Los Angeles, Calif. to hear GUS HALL speak on his recent tour of West Coast colleges. Sponsored by the Southern Calif. District Communist Party.

"Some who attended were,

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"GUS HALL said he spoke mostly in foot ball stadiums & it was a good thing because the students turned out by the thousands, even in the rain. He said in one town they had him in a hall because the board of directors didn't want the students to hear him, but the men on the board of directors was there to hear him. He said the hall was packed, with over a thousand standing outside. He said the students were eager to ask him question. That they were tired of hearing about the Communist Party from one side. GUS HALL said a fund should be started for printing masses of lititüre to be sent to the colleges.

"Mr. HALL said the right wing had put on a big surge to stir up hestria among the people to get them to put an end to Communism, but he said their big noise is about over because they were finding out that their efforts wasn't doing any good. He said the bombings in L. A. was done by the Birch Society."

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information. All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

Wright Hits 'Misguided Drive on Right-Wing'

Senate Candidate Wants More Anti-Red Talk and Less Against John Birch Society

BY RICHARD BERGHOLZ, Times Political Writer

Republican senatorial candidate Loyd Wright said his present position as whip Monday that "every decent of the Republican minority candidate should be talking in the Senate, "yet last year more about communism and he voted 53 times against less about the John Birch Society."

The Los Angeles attorney, a past president of the American Bar Assn., drew repeated applause when he addressed more than 900 of his supporters at a luncheon rally in the Stalter Hilton.

"I have been amazed at the misguided drive against conservatives—the so-called right-wing in American politics," Wright said.

Called an 'Outrage'

"This propaganda campaign that would smother all effective expression of the conservative and paste the label of political 'poison' on the right wing in politics is an outrage."

He charged that Sen. Thomas Kuchel, California's Republican incumbent who's seeking re-election this year, has "parrot-like cried out 'beware of the left and the right,' yet neither he nor anyone else who is trying to make political capital of catchwords has defined either."

Wright said that Kuchel voted 60% of the time for the program of the Americans for Democratic Action, 88% of the time last year with California's Democratic Sen. Clair Engle and 23 times for "the Kennedy welfare state against the majority of his Republican colleagues."

Wright said Kuchel used

to whip into line to support the policy committee of the Republicans in the Senate.

By his voting record and his own statements, Kuchel "has abandoned the Republican Party," Wright said.

The conservative candidate said he believes he has a better chance of beating Sen. Richard Richards of Los Angeles, a Democratic candidate for U.S. senator, than Kuchel has.

"A liberal Democrat will vote for a liberal Democrat—Richards—instead of a liberal Republican — Kuchel. But a liberal Republican will lose the votes of conservative Democrats."

"In short, we must have conservative Democrat votes to win. It will take a conservative Republican to get them."

Urges Cut in Aid

Wright called for a "thorough investigation" of the State Department, for "100% American" enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine as it applies to Castro's Cuba.

He said foreign aid "should be curtailed or dropped except in those areas where technological and military assistance is necessary to the defense of the free world and is economically advantageous to the U.S."

Regarding U.S. Atty. Gen.



Loyd Wright
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Robert Kennedy, Wright said:

"The appointment of a youngster who never tried a lawsuit in his life is an outrage and a slander against human decency."

Without mentioning Chief Justice Earl Warren by name, Wright advocated creation of a "bipartisan non-political commission to nominate a panel from which appointments to the federal judiciary must be made, with the requirement that all justices of our Supreme Court shall first have had judicial experience of sufficient tenure so that their abilities and temperaments may be properly appraised."

Wright spoke earlier at a San Diego breakfast meeting; then scheduled Fresno and San Francisco rallies later in the day.

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